

THREE BLAMED FOR THEATRE DISASTER

Trial of Dist. Atty. Pelletier Opens

MUST LAY OFF MORE MEN

Street Department Head Hears From Civil Service Authorities

Once more the civil service authorities have called on Commissioner Denis A. Murphy to discharge men in his department who, they allege, are illegally employed under the civil service regulations. This time no less than 34 men are affected, their names being attached to a communication notifying the commissioner that unless he discharges these men the civil service officials will communicate with the city auditor and treasurer, stopping their pay.

Commissioner Murphy says that he will let them go at once, rather than see their pay stopped. He feels that it is hard, however, to tell men with families to support that instead of looking for work in his department they must visit the charity department two floors below.

KILLS MAN WITH BASEBALL BAT

Denver Woman Beats Off Man Who Entered Home and Demanded Money

Intruder Drew Pistol and Hit Her on Head—Woman Seized Bat and Retaliated

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 27.—A man believed to be Normal D. Gould is dead at the county hospital today as a result of blows administered with a baseball bat by Mrs. Caroline Rossi.

The man entered Mr. Rossi's home and demanded money, then drew a pistol and struck her on the head, the woman told the police.

Mrs. Rossi said she seized the baseball bat from behind a kitchen screen and retaliated.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOASTS NEW RECORD

Officials of the health department boasted of a new record this morning, when it was found that not a single contagious disease had been reported since Saturday noon. This means, in effect, that in three days no physician has been called on to treat a patient even for a case of measles, or any of the more serious diseases classed as infectious.

Usually in this space of time there are at least two or three cases, and in many instances a small sized epidemic has come to the surface during a two-day holiday, but never before in the history of the local board of health has there been a clean slate for such a period.

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BOY AND GIRL IN SUICIDE PACT

Too Poor to Marry, Reason That Impelled Young Couple to Take Poison

Passaic, N. J., Youth Told Police of Death Pact Just Before He Died

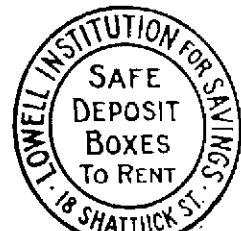
PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 27.—Too poor to marry. That was the reason that impelled Thomas Brands, 15, and his sweetheart, Matilda Hilt, 17, to take their lives by poison here early today, the boy told the police at the general hospital where he died.

Thomas was employed as a clerk by a local mill and the girl was a stenographer.

The boy and girl met about a year ago and soon became fast friends. The friendship developed and they were together on very possible occasion. Because of their youth and the fact that Thomas was just starting on his career and was not making enough money, they had not planned an immediate marriage. Last Saturday, however, the girl confided to her sweetheart that she felt they should marry soon. They talked it over and decided that this was out of the question for financial reasons. Then came the resolve to die. They planned to make it Christmas Day, but loath to bring grief to their families on such a holiday, they waited until yesterday morning.

A visit to the corner drug store, purchase of poison with which to "kill a dog" and they went to the girl's home where Brands had always been a welcome visitor. They were alone in the sitting room most of the evening and it was shortly after midnight that the girl staggered into her mother's room, suffering from convulsions. While an ambulance surgeon was working on her young Brands entered in a similar condition. They were taken in the same ambulance to the hospital where they died within two hours.

NEW YORK CLEARINGS
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Exchanges \$276,700,000; balances \$61,600,000.



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Depot Cash Market
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FAVOR IRISH PEACE TREATY

London Papers Announce Overwhelming Sentiment Reflected in Despatches

Declare 90 Per cent of People in 26 Southern Counties Want Pact Ratified

LONDON, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press) Sentiment throughout Ireland, as reflected in despatches to London newspapers today is overwhelmingly in favor of the Irish peace treaty. Reports from various provinces indicate that fully 90 per cent of the people in the 26 counties of southern Ireland want the pact ratified.

This confirms predictions made when the Dail Eireann adjourned its debate on the treaty last Thursday until January 3, that the recess would bring definite expression of the people's will, and the view is now put forward that when the Dail reassembles the treaty will be approved by a majority which will make an appeal to the country unnecessary.

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TESTIMONY IN PELLETIER CASE

Trial of District Attorney on Charges Upon Which Allen Seeks Removal Begun

Full Bench of Massachusetts Supreme Court Sitting in Case

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The trial of District Attorney Joseph G. Pelletier of Suffolk county on charges of misconduct of his office upon which Attorney General J. Weston Allen has based a petition for his removal was begun today.

The petitions which were similar in form to that which resulted in the removal of Nathan A. Tufts as district attorney of Middlesex county last summer were held before the

FELL FROM ROOF

James F. Walsh Fractured Nose and Wrists

Attempting to escape from Patrolman Patrick Connolly in Gorham street last night, James F. Walsh, 24, of 50 Congress street, fell 40 feet to the sidewalk from the roof of Saunders' market building. Suffering from a broken arm and fractures of the wrists, he was taken to St. John's hospital.

Walsh was suspected of having stolen \$8 from a woman living in Gorham street. Patrolman Connolly was called to investigate the theft and when he approached in question Walsh, the latter fled and climbed the roof of the Flynn market building, from there leaping to the roof of the Saunders' structure. Although warned by the policeman of the danger he was facing by walking on the trim of this roof, Walsh persisted in going along and finally in the rear of the building stumbled and fell into the alley.

Walsh, at the hospital, denied knowledge of the supposed theft, and was not placed under arrest. The matter is being investigated.

SALARY INCREASES AT CITY HALL

An increase in salary is to be given all the office employees of the water department and two clerks in the lands and buildings office, according to a story current at city hall today.

While Commissioner Salmon denied that any such increase had taken place in his department, he intimated that there may be some increase of a few cents in a short time, which means, necessarily, sometime this week. Commissioner Marchand could not be reached, so the rumor regarding his department has not yet been confirmed in any degree.

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Matinees at 2:15. Evenings at 8:15
Prices 10c to 50c, War Tax Extra
Price Matinees for Children, 10c
Box Office Phone 5258.

Building Inspector, Theatre Officials Criminally Responsible for Deaths of Nine in Theatre Fire

MORE HYDRANTS MUCH NEEDED

Hydrants of Latest Type Very Necessary, Says Chief Saunders

Only One Hydrant at Recent Hospital Fire—Needs of Pawtucketville Stated

According to chief of the fire department Edward F. Saunders Lowell needs more fire hydrants and hydrants of the latest type to replace so-called "flush-hydrants." At a recent meeting of the fire protection committee of the chamber of commerce the chief made these facts known in a forceful manner.

He claims there are numerous sections of the city which are menaced by the lack of hydrants, and that thickly settled residential districts, besides being inefficiently protected by the present fire alarm system, are, in some cases, not reached by the present network of fire mains. The chief admits, that in case of fire, hose lines may be laid from one hydrant in the neighborhood, but this may be so far away, and in such a difficult position to reach, that it would cause delay and endanger life and the loss of property. Also this one hydrant, which in nearly every neighborhood may be reached by long lines of hose, would be probably inadequate to supply enough water.

Chief Saunders contends long hose lines in themselves are not only bothersome in the laying of hose, which wastes a great deal of precious time, but that water pressure, so essential in the combating of fire, is reduced by increased friction and other natural causes. He claims the best work can be done by the firefighters when short hose lines are used.

The chief points out that despite the fact there are numerous new hydrants being installed, the city is still in need of more.

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ADDITION TO CITY SQUARES

City Council Approves Name of Square Recommended by American Legion

City Auditor is Directed to Pay All Outstanding Bills of the Water Department

An addition to the list of city squares was made at the municipal council meeting this morning, when the recommendation of the local post of the American Legion that the new square off Gorham street, formerly known as Locke street, be named Thomas F. Mann square, was approved by the council.

The claim of Jeremiah D. Sullivan against the city of Lowell came up for a hearing, and after Mr. Sullivan had presented his case the hearing was laid over with the understanding that he would submit his bills for surgical treatment and other necessary items. Mr. Sullivan lost two fingers in an accident.

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FINDING BY CORONER MIX

Holds Three Directly Responsible and Finds Others Were Negligent

Burning of Incense for "Atmosphere" Started Fire—Laws Violated

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 27.—City Building Inspector Joseph E. Austin, Lawrence E. Carroll, manager of the theatre, and Alfred S. Black, president of the Connecticut Theatres corporation which controlled the theatre, are held criminally responsible for the deaths of nine persons in the Rialto theatre fire November 27, in a finding by Coroner Eli Mix, today.

The death of Everett E. Chase, which was typical of all the fatalities in the fire, served as a basis for the coroner's inquest.

The finding criticizes other persons connected with the operation of the theatre and the presentation of a prologue to a film which, it is declared, was typical of all the fatalities in the fire, served as a basis for the coroner's inquest.

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Convicts Who Attempted to Flee Punished

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Four convicts who attempted to escape from Auburn prison over the holiday, were sentenced today to serve five years in addition to their regular sentences.

Marriage License Easy to Get in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Asserting that getting a marriage license in New York was easier than buying a theatre ticket, two judges in general sessions today came out in favor of a measure which would require publication of the names of persons obtaining licenses and prohibiting the ceremony for a month, during which any objections could be registered. This, it was asserted, would check runaways and bigamy. "All you have to do to get married in New York," said Judge Talley, "is to go to a window in the municipal building and get a license and then go to another window and get married."

Rear Admiral Davis, Retired, Dead

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Rear Admiral Charles Henry Davis, retired, brother-in-law of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, died at his home here today. He was a native of Boston and 76 years of age.

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Street Floor

Ingersoll Watch Makers Bankrupt

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in federal court today against Robert H. Ingersoll & Brothers, manufacturers of the Ingersoll watches of this city. Liabilities were set forth as \$3,000,000 and assets exclusive of good will, as \$2,000,000. The concern admitted its inability to pay its debts and expressed willingness to be adjudged bankrupt. The proceedings were brought by the National City Bank of New York; Chase National Bank of New York and Hathaway, Smith & Co., with combined claims of \$450,000.

Disorders in Belfast—On Man Killed

BELFAST, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—One man was killed and several wounded in a clash between a constabulary patrol and a number of men in the Marrowbone area this morning. Order was restored with the aid of an armored car.

Revival of Yachting During Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The revival of yachting marked by performances in the season of 1921 and featured by the unusual interest shown by a new crop of competitors, is interpreted by enthusiasts of the sport as a recovery from the slump into which it tumbled almost six years ago. Although America got the worst of two international events, the six meter contests at Cowes in August for the Royal Yacht Squadron trophy and the events of Halifax in October for the fishermen's trophy, there was ample indication in the activities of yachtsmen in Long Island sound that the game had received new impetus and was again in its old stride.

Italian Sailors Attacked and Clubbed

ROME, Dec. 27. (By the Associated Press).—Disorders between Croatians and Italians occurred in Sebenico, Dalmatia, during the visit of the Italian destroyer Rialto to that port, says a despatch to the Messaggero from Zara, Dalmatia, today. Sailors from the destroyer are declared to have been attacked and clubbed when they went ashore. Friction between the two nationalities is reported from Spalato.

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**CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN
THE LOCAL CHURCHES**

Solemn high masses and beautiful musical programmes marked the Christmas day observance in the local Catholic churches. The altars were attractively decorated with flowers and evergreen, and wreaths were hung about the pillars. Two midnight masses were celebrated, at St. Anthony's and Notre Dame de Lourdes, and both were crowded to the doors.

The solemn high mass at St. Peter's church was celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan, with Rev. Francis L. Shea as deacon and Rev. John Manion as sub-deacon. The greetings of the season were extended to the parishioners by Rev. D. J. Keeler, P.M., the pastor. Rev. Peter T. Linehan directed the musical exercises, which were carried out splendidly. Miss Mae Lynn, Miss Florence Hague, Miss Sadie Sheehan, John Doyle and James E. Donnelly were the soloists, and Miss Gertrude Quigley directed. Solemn vespers services were conducted at 7 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Keeler, assisted by Rev. Fr. Heffernan and Rev. Fr. Shea. At this service another well balanced musical program was presented.

Rev. Thomas J. Heagney sang the solemn high mass at St. Michael's church, and was assisted by Rev. James E. Lynch as deacon and Rev. Francis J. Mullin as sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Lynch preached a sermon on the significance of Christmas day. Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor, was seated in the sanctuary. The other masses were celebrated at the usual Sunday hours. In the evening Rev. Fr. Shaw, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Rev. Fr. Lynch, with Rev. Fr. Heagney as master of ceremonies, sang solemn vespers. At the high mass and vespers service the church quartet and choir and a chancel choir rendered solemn and appropriate music, the chancel choir of men and boys, singing Christmas carols, processions and responses. The church quartet is as follows: Mrs. James Murphy, soprano; Miss Margaret Griffin, contralto; James A. Murphy, tenor, and Thomas P. Boulger, bass. Mr. Murphy is also director and Mrs. Edie M. Toye organist.

Rev. James A. Supple, D.D., was celebrant. Rev. Francis L. Keenan, deacon and Rev. Jos. Curran, sub-deacon at the 11 o'clock solemn high mass at St. Patrick's church. Christmas greetings were extended by Rev. Fr. Keenan. The church quartet and choir and the sanctuary choir presented an excellent musical program, under the direction respectively of Michael J. Johnson and Rev. Bro. John. The church quartet, Misses Frances Tighe, soprano; Miss James Morris, contralto; John McNabb, tenor, and George Kerwin, bass, were assisted by Daniel S. O'Brien, baritone. A choir of 20 voices was heard to good effect. Mr. Johnson presided at the organ. Rev. Dr. Supple celebrated vespers at 4 o'clock, and the church and sanctuary choirs sang psalms and antiphones.

The first mass was celebrated at 6 o'clock by the pastor, Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien, assisted by Rev. Francis L. Keenan. Christmas carols were rendered by pupils of the Notre Dame academy, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame. Miss Sarah A. Murray presided at the organ.

At the Immaculate Conception church the solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. James J. McCarthy, O.M.I., with Rev. Albert L. McDermott, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. James B. McCarthy, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. Christmas greetings were extended by the pastor, Very Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I. Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I., celebrated a high mass at 6 o'clock. An excellent musical program, under the direction of William L. Gookin, was carried out at the 11 o'clock mass, and at the solemn vespers service in the evening, with Rev. James J. McCarthy, O.M.I., Rev. Albert L. McDermott, O.M.I., and Rev. James B. McCarthy, O.M.I., as celebrant, deacon and sub-deacon respectively, as at the solemn high mass. The soloists of the day were the church quartet, Miss Florence McManus, soprano; Miss Alice Dancy, contralto; James King, tenor; and William L. Gookin, baritone; assisted by David P. Martin, bass. The organist was Mrs. Hugh Walker.

At the Church of the Sacred Heart the solemn high mass at 11 o'clock was sung by Rev. Francis N. McGinnis, O.M.I., with Rev. Edward Fletcher, O.M.I., as deacon, and Rev. Franklin Wood, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., pastor extended the Christmas greetings. The church choir of 45 voices and the sanctuary choir of 50 voices carried out an extremely beautiful musical program, under the direction of John J. Kelly. At both the solemn high mass and the vespers service in the evening the church quartet, Miss Irene Harkins, soprano; Miss Sadie Gidd, alto; John H. McManus, tenor; and David P. Martin, bass, made the effort to sing them.

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ingly diverting, and his witty remarks and timely quips in doing out the gifts proved multi-proving in the extreme. Many of the gifts were very amusing, even without the distributor's assistance.

An excellent concert program was carried out as follows: Piano selections, Charles P. Minor, solos, Timothy Finnegan, John Doyle and George Burrows; monolog, William Looney, and instrumental solo, George Sullivan. William Looney and Frank Clarke, light refreshments and cigars were distributed during the afternoon. Visiting knights from Worcester, Cambridge and Boston were present.

The committee in charge was headed by the lecturer of the council, and his assistants were: Grand Knight John E. Hart, J. Eugene Mullin, George W. Keefe, Henry P. Doran, John H. Queenan, Joseph P. Quigley, John F. Golden, Fred Edwight, Dist. Deputy Charles J. Lander and Patrick J. Ryan.

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Mill Remnants of Heavy Out- ing Flannel, light and dark shades; 15c value, at only 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 40-inch Un- bleached Cotton, fine qual- ity; 12½c value, at 8c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Fine Nain- sook, 36 inches wide; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Bates Rip- pelle, white and colored; 20c value, at 18c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Bleached Domet Flannel; 12½c value, at 8c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 40-inch Un- bleached Cotton, fine qual- ity; 15c value, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Art Denim, in all colors; 36 inches wide; 40c value, at 25c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Yard-wide Oatmeal and Bleached Domet Flannel; 15c value, at 12½c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Dress Ging- ham, staple patterns and chambray; 15c value, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Percale 36-inch Unbleached Cotton; 17c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of the Best Quality of Khaki; 30c value, at 17c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Yard-wide Shirting Madras; 25c value, at 15c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Yard-wide Percale, light and dark col- ors; 10c value, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 40-inch Mill Unbleached Cotton; 10c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Fine Mer- cerized Sateen, black and colors; 20c value, at 15c Yd.	300 Pairs of Cotton Blankets, white, gray and tan; \$2.50 value, at \$1.79 Pr.
Mill Remnants of Standard Count Percale, light and dark colors; 22c value, at only 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Heavy Un- bleached Twill Drill; 10c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Coat Lining in dark colors; 20c value, at 15c Yd.	300 Pairs of Nashua Woolnap Blankets, fancy plaid; \$4 value, at \$2.89 Pr.
Mill Remnants of Fine Count Percale, light and dark col- ors; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 36-inch Bleached Cotton, fine qual- ity; 10c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Fine Qual- ity Percale Lining; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	One Case of Satin Finish Bed Spreads, mended; \$1 value, at \$2.39 Ea.
Mill Remnants of the Best Quality Percale, light and dark colors; 20c value, at 17c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Yard-wide Bleached Cotton, good soft finish; 15c value, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Bates Col- ored Table Damask; \$1.00 value, at 69c Yd.	Two Cases of Satin Finish Bed Spreads, hemmed and scalloped edges, also cut corners; \$5 and \$6 values, at \$3.39 Ea.
Mill Remnants of Dress Ging- ham, fine quality, in plain patterns and chambray; 10c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Bates Ging- ham, 32 inches wide; 20c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 64-inch Fine Mercerized Table Da- mask, heavy quality; 80c value, at 69c Yd.	200 Pairs of Wool Blankets (samples) white, gray and fancy plaids; \$7 to \$10 values, at \$5.98 Pr.
Mill Remnants of Bates Ging- ham, 32 inches wide; 20c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Heavy Oris Gingham, 32 inches wide; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Twill Crash Towelings; 15c value, at 7c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Heavy Leatherette; \$1 to \$1.50 val- ues, at 69c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Heavy Twill Cretonne; 19c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Fine Cam- bray, 36 inches wide; 10c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Heavy Lin- en Finish Toweling, bleached and unbleached; 15c val- ue, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Shelf Oil- cloth; 10c value, at 5c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Dresden Cretonne, large assortment of patterns; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 54-inch Seamless Shirting; 15c val- ue, at 10c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Union Crash Toweling; 25c value, at 17c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Table Oil- cloth (second quality) in white and colors; 30c val- ue, at 25c Yd.
Mill Remnants of Yard-wide Cretonne; 25c value, at 12½c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 84 Wide Bleached Seamless Shert- ing; 50c value, at 39c Yd.	Mill Remnants of Mercerized Poplin; 20c value, at 19c Yd.	85 Dozen Sheets, odd lots, but all first quality— 72x90 with seams; \$1.00 value, at 69c Ea.
Mill Remnants of 42-inch Heavy Cretonne; 25c value, at 17c Yd.	Mill Remnants of 36-inch Check Nainsook; 25c value, at 15c Yd.	6000 Yards of Assorted Ma- terial for fine shirting, in- cluding madras and pongee; 25c to 30c values, at only 15c Yd.	72x90 with seams; \$1.25 value, at 89c Ea.

Dry Goods Section

**After Xmas
Cleanup Sale**

Starts Wednesday—Continues All Week

FLANKELETTE GOWNS, in dainty stripes, V
and high neck models; \$1.00 values..... 79c

BUNGALOW APRONS, fine percale, dainty stripes and
checks, pockets and sashes values up to
\$1.25, at 69c

GOWNS, of fine material, chemise style, also V and high
neck, lace and embroidery trimmed; \$1.00
values, at 69c

WOMEN'S JERSEY VESTS and DRAWERS; 50c
values up to \$1.00, at 50c

CHEMISE and COMBINATIONS, including some handsome
underwear, slightly soiled; values up to
\$2.00, at 50c

The "CHIC" Shop

50 CENTRAL STREET

Through to Prescott St.

SLASHED WITH RAZOR

N. Y. Actor Cut From Cheek-
bone to Chin by Unknown
Man in Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Gennaro Amato of New York member of an Italian theatrical company, which has been playing at the Palace theatre in the West End, was recovering today from the effects of an assault in which he sustained a slash 10 inches long on the right side of his face last night. The wound was made with a razor and by a man. A woman inspired the attack, pointing out the victim to his assailant.

Amato was leaving the theatre after the performance last night when he was seized by a man, who, according to Amato, was a woman, and three men who were with him. Amato says he knew none of them. The woman, according to him, pointed him out to her companions and then returned to the automobile. The three men approached him, drew a razor and, without words, slashed him from cheekbone to chin. Amato says he was dazed and the wound was lacerated, made the effort to stop them.

**K. OF C. CHRISTMAS
TREE EXERCISES**

Nearly 70 members of Lowell Council, K. of C., enjoyed the first formal Christmas tree exercises by the council in the city last night. The exercises were held at the city hall and enjoyed J. Edgar Mullin's interpretation of Santa Claus, the distribution of a great quantity of presents and an excellent entertainment. District Deputy Landers and Grand Knight Hart are still in giving out the gifts.

Santa Claus Mullin proved exceed-

Oregon Defeats University of Hawaii

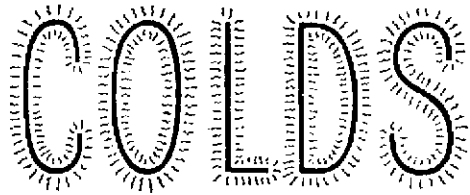
HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 27.—University of Oregon's football eleven defeated the University of Hawaii here yesterday, 47 to 0.

Wife of Alleged Swindler Arrested

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Charles W. French, wife of the alleged co-conspirator of John W. Worthington, in the swindles for which they are under indictment and which are said to total \$60,000,000 was under arrest today in San Diego, Cal., according to word received here.

Dr. Cross Victim of Yellow Fever

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Dr. Howard B. Cross of the Rockefeller Institute, died here this morning a victim of yellow fever. He arrived early this month to open a Rockefeller Institute laboratory to study yellow and marsh fever.



"Pape's Cold Compound" Breaks any Cold in a Few Hours

Instant Relief! Don't stay stuffed up! Quit blowing and snuffling! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken usually breaks any cold right up. The first dose opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages of head; stops nose running; relieves headache, dizziness, feverishness, sneezing. "Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance. Tastes nice. Contains no opium. Insist upon Pape's.

When Is Girl Old Enough to Smoke?

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—When is a girl old enough to smoke? This question has cropped up at Columbia university and today is puzzling hundreds of coeds who want to be told why Barnard college rules say nothing about use of the soothing weed in graduate dormitories and prohibit it in those of the undergraduates.

Lewis Morris Iddings Dies Suddenly

ROME, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Lewis Morris Iddings, of Warren, Ohio, long time secretary of the American embassy in Rome and prominent in war relief work in Italy during the war, died suddenly here last evening. He was a journalist during his early career.

London Papers Attack France's Claims

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—France's claims for a large fleet of submarines, made before the Washington conference, are again attacked by the London newspapers which resumed publication today after the Christmas holidays.

Held as Alleged Secret British Agent

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Lieut. John Bigelow Dodge, stepson of Lionel George Chest, fourth son of Lord Winborne, was arrested by Bolshevik authorities as an alleged secret British agent as he was about to embark on an Italian steamship at Batum on Dec. 9, according to a Times despatch from Constantinople.

Sec. Zubaran of Mexico Resigns

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Rafael Zubaran, secretary of industry, commerce and labor, has resigned. President Obregon has held in abeyance action on the resignation. Senior Zubaran's action follows a recent attack upon his honesty in the chamber of commerce.

Finding by Coroner Mix

Continued
was the cause of the fire. These persons are held to be negligent but not criminally responsible. Burning of incense on the stage for "atmosphere" was said to have ignited the daisy draperies from which the blaze spread.

Violations of Law
The coroner finds that violations of the law in the theatre included: Absence of an asbestos curtain; lack of a water curtain; an automatic sprinkler, casks of water on the stage and loose connections; and also lack of fireproof scenery and woodwork.

Chief of Police Philip T. Smith and members of his department are criticized for having failed to see that the theatre was legally licensed and for permitting the prologue to be given. Coroner Mix says that had Building Inspector Austin done his duty in applying the building code of either 1914 or 1920 when alterations were being made at the Rialto theatre in June, "I am quite certain that this particular fire could and would not have occurred, for there would not have been the conditions present that made it possible. I, therefore, find Joseph E. Austin criminally responsible for said death resulting from the neglect and omission of duty aforesaid."

Manager Directly Responsible
Coroner Mix finds that it was the legal duty of Alfred S. Black, president of the Connecticut Theatre corporation, to see that all the state and city laws were complied with and everything possible done to make the theatre safe for the public and in failing to fulfill this duty he made himself criminally responsible. Lawrence D. Carroll, manager of

the theatre, is found directly responsible for the conditions which brought about the fire and his presentation of the prologue.

Finding Embraces 18,000 Words
The coroner says that at least one police captain and one police sergeant who had not paid admissions, were in the theatre and saw the prologue being given in violation of the Sunday laws and of the law regarding stand-ins on the first floor and in the gallery. The coroner points out that these officers took no action.

The duties of the fire marshal in regard to fire protection in theatres and the inspection of theatres, he coroner

says, "are discretionary," and this office could only be held for wilful neglect after notice.

As to the state police, the coroner finds that there was no inspection of the Rialto by this body after December 13, 1920. The fault was due to this system which allowed too few men for the work, the report states.

Coroner Mix's finding, which was filed in court today, embraced about 18,000 words, a digest from about a quarter of a million words of evidence.

Asthma

Why suffer? Dr. Kiaman's Asthma Remedy gives instant relief. 25 years of success. 75c at all druggists. Avoid substitutes. Trial Treatment mailed Free. Write to Dr. F. C. Kiaman, Red Bank, Augusta, Maine.



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Select a Gift This Week
For New Year Gifts
Are Appropriate

RICARD'S, 123 Central St.

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Including long waist coat models, basque effects, Tunic styles, draped models with newest trimmings and latest color schemes. Belids, embroidery, braid, ribbons, flowers, buttons and fur fabrics. Misses' sizes 14 to 20. Women's sizes 36 to 52. Stout ladies will find their sizes in the big offering. Dresses for informal wear, business, street and afternoon wear.



ECLIPSING ALL PREVIOUS DRESS SALES

We have been able to present to the buying public during the past few years some very astonishing values, due largely to our syndicate buying, but we wish to emphasize very strongly that we have at no time offered the equal to this remarkable Dress event, which starts tomorrow.

MOST AMAZING DRESS SALE of All Time

Dresses Made to Retail for

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When this great news is spread broadcast, we know it will arouse such intense interest that we will witness instant and overwhelming response. These wonderfully charming dresses comprise the entire stock of one of New York's foremost manufacturers of high grade dresses, having stripped his racks to us at a terrific sacrifice. They are all here, nearly two thousand of them—in a most bewildering selection of Paris-like styles—wonderful silks of Charmeuse, Mignonette, Crepes and Satins—splendid cloth dresses of wool velour, tricotine, Poiret twill and velvets, in the most attractive trimmings, colorings and newest touches—all before your eyes—all in one amazing one-price offering.

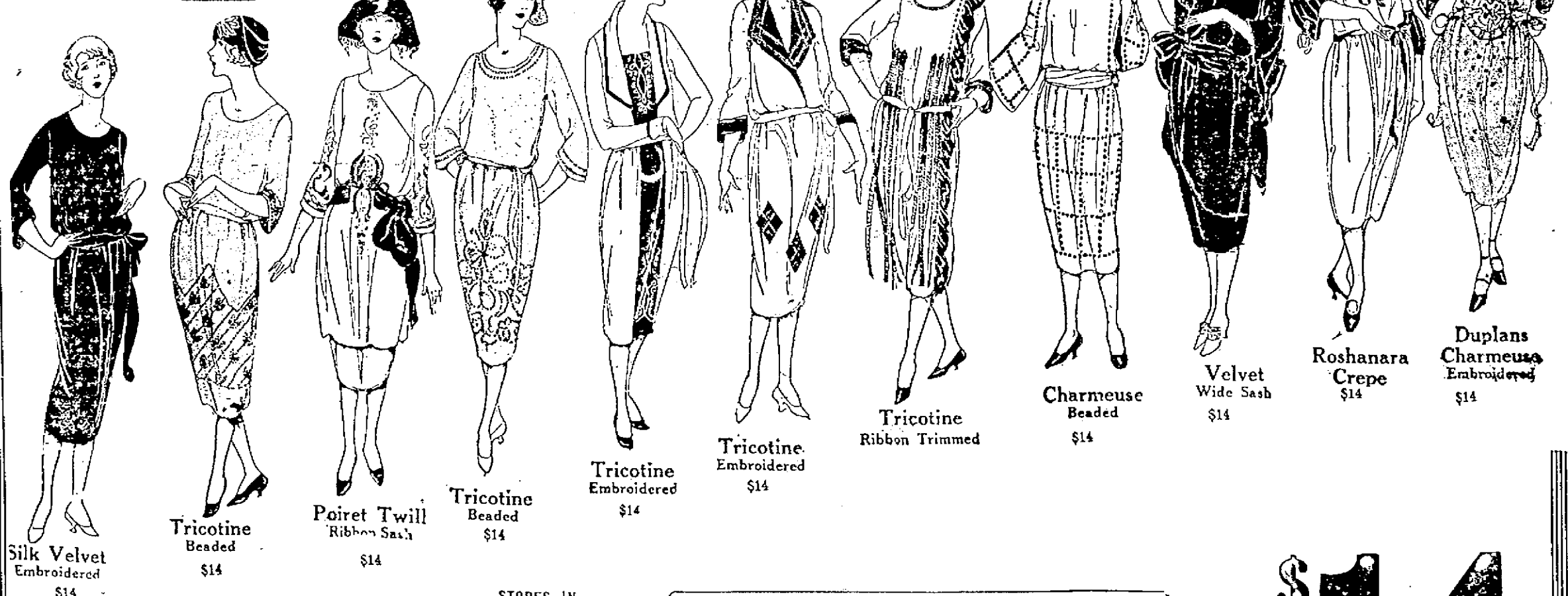
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The Sale Starts When the Doors Swing Open Tomorrow
Morning at 9 O'Clock Sharp—
On the Second Floor



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BRAMLEY DRESSES

And they're the hit of the season. Made from a fine 9-ounce wool Jersey, seen in most stores at \$9, \$12, \$14. Plenty of sizes. Price **\$5.00**

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BROADWAYS' CELEBRATION THE "BEST EVER"

This year's celebration of Christmas by the Broadway Social and Athletic club will be recorded in the organization's annals as one of the most successful on record. The program opened on Saturday night and continued through until last night with the visit of Santa Claus on Sunday afternoon, the big feature of the three days' activities.

On Saturday night exercises were held around a mammoth Christmas tree, placed in position by the club members on the North common. It was illuminated and hundreds of little ones and grownups assembled there to en-

joy a fine concert program. Meanwhile an enjoyable program of dancing, etc., was carried out in the club headquarters in Fletcher street. Refreshments were also served.

But on Sunday afternoon the "big number" was provided. Thousands of children who had looked forward with pleasant anticipation to the visit of Santa Claus had their dreams fulfilled. He arrived at 2 o'clock and immediately started to strip the tree of its gifts. There were presents for everybody. More than 2000 gifts were distributed. Many were of practical use, while of course the candy, nuts, etc., were also included.

The club house was also thrown open to the youngsters and here, too, they found many good things. Ice cream, cake, coffee, etc., were served to all, and at the conclusion of the affair all voted the Broadways the best providers and most generous hearted in the community.

Then yesterday "open house" was held at the club and many out-of-town friends and former members called to extend seasonal greetings.

On the committee of arrangements were Patrick Owens, Peter Brady, William Walsh, Daniel Coakley, Richard O'Brien, Cornelius Riley, Dominic Mooney, Timothy O'Sullivan and Patrick Owens.

Manager W. J. Nelson of the Merrimack Square theatre contributed a number of gifts that were left after his children's matinee and these the club distributed where they would be most enjoyed.

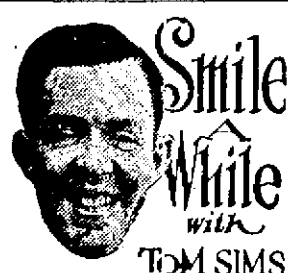
THE LOWELL PUBLIC MARKET

The Lowell Public Market may not be able to resume business in the Merrimack Square store that was badly damaged by fire, for two or three months, according to Manager Chas. H. Willis. The Saunders market location leased temporarily by Mr. Willis, is being completely stocked, and the large sales areas in the rear being filled up with fresh new goods for the trade.

The matter of insurance adjustments will probably take some time. The total insurance, according to Mr. Willis, will nowhere near cover the fire, smoke and water damage, and the market will suffer a severe loss. According to Mr. Willis, his total insurance was not as large as the figures shown in the totals published. Mr. Willis says his total on stock and fixtures was \$47,000, and on new improvements \$2000. The Grain Dealers company carried \$5000 of this, and the Beacon Mutual \$2000 on stock.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Through the courtesy of the management of the Blaisie theatre the orphan children at the various asylums in Lowell will have an opportunity to witness the marvelous production



The man who steals a look often gets a dirty one.

"Germany Thinking of Prohibition" headline. So are we.

A saxophone player has an ill-wind that blows no good.

Maybe it was Santa Claus who set fire to two Chicago schools?

Health Hint: Don't kiss the boss where he can hear you.

Window trust is seen through.

The first board of health we remember was three feet long.

A wise man never laughs at his wife before breakfast or kicks a stick of dynamite.

Too often, a man is known by the money he keeps.

Weather men say winter gets later every year. But it will never come at a time when overcoats are cheap.

Best thing to do is to forget a grouch—no matter who he is.

Man is being sued for divorce because he has goat glands. And who bet the goats are tickled.

If one wasn't born every minute this would be a dull world.

The man who misses his train is slow; but the man who trains his misses isn't.

Now we know how the expression "Gee Money Christmas" started.

AT THE CHILDREN'S HOME

Christmas was passed with much joy at the Children's Home in Bedford square, which is presided over by Matron Ellen O'Leary. Through the kindness of friends, it was possible to give the children a real roast turkey dinner with all the fixings. During the afternoon several people called at the

"Little Lord Fauntleroy," showing at the theatre this week. Free of cost, invitations will be sent to each of the children's homes in town and arrangements will be made to bring them to the theatre on different days. This picture is really one that will appeal to every boy and girl and it will be a genuine treat to the orphan children of the city.

home and took auto loads of children to their private homes to top off the fun and good cheer.

GREEKS HOLD MASS MEETING

Kyriakos P. Tsolanos, former secretary to Venizelos, former premier of Greece, was the principal speaker at a mass meeting held in the Academy of Music Sunday afternoon. The visitor made a stirring appeal to the Lowell Greek-speaking residents for the support of the party which is now endeavoring to make Greece a republic. He outlined the political situation in the near east and declared the royalist attitude in some parts of the United States. At the close of the meeting the visitor was entertained at dinner at the Pan-Hellenic restaurant in Market street.

WHAT CAUSES HEADACHES?

"Fruit-a-lives" Prevents Auto-Intoxication

Auto-intoxication means self-poisoning. Many people suffer from partial constipation or insufficient action of the bowels. Waste matter which should pass out of the body every day, poisons the blood.

As a result, there is Headache, Indigestion, disturbed Stomach, lack of sleep, Rheumatism and Eczema.

"Fruit-a-lives" will always relieve Auto-intoxication as these fruit tablets, made from fruit juices, act gently on the bowels, kidneys and skin and keep the blood pure.

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Shave, Bathe and Shampoo with one Soap.—Cuticura

DOUBTS GERMAN REPORT

Wall Street Undisturbed Over Report That Scientist Has Made Synthetic Gold

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Wall street seemed undisturbed today over persistent reports that a German scientist has succeeded in making synthetic gold. Some elements also were skeptics. Quite a number of other people recalled their copybook maxim: "All is not gold that glitters, and intimated disbelief in despatches which hinted that the age-old quest of alchemists had reached its goal.

If the Germans wait for synthetic gold to make reparation payments they will probably need a longer moratorium than they now seek," said Dr. H. G. Byers, head of the chemistry department of Cooper Union.

Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale was quoted as saying in London that if the synthetic gold process were true, Germany might make a farce of the reparation payments by using synthetic gold.

"Of course," Dr. Byers, added, it would be a grave, an ignorant scientist who would pronounce the synthesis of gold impossible. There is, however, no credible evidence that chemists are today any nearer the realization of the dream of the alchemists than they were in the days when the German kings were duped by the Knights of the Black Art.

"Even were the speedy solution of the transmutation of metals promised, it is probable the practical problem would be as distant from solution as is that of diamond manufacture, which everyone knows is possible."

PLANS COMPLETE

Arrangements have been completed for the Lowell reception to be extended the department president and department inspector of the Ladies of the G. A. R., Wednesday, Circle 3 of this city, very active this winter in organization affairs of a social nature, will do the entertaining in the usual good style.

TEXT OF CHILEAN NOTE TO PERU

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—The Chilean note to Peru, which has been forwarded to Lima, says in part:

"Chile agrees to designate a plenipotentiary to go to Washington with the object of endeavoring to obtain with a

Peruvian envoy a settlement of the pending difficulties, and draw up conditions which will be submitted for approval to their respective governments on the basis and with the object of amicable and disinterested treatment to be settled by direct agreement and which are indispensable to precise and loyal execution of the pact (Treaty of Ancon, signed in 1920).

The note declares that the imputations contained in Peru's last note of various violations of the treaty, and the result of the long severance of diplomatic relations between the two republics, and expresses the belief that the meeting in Washington will be sufficient to dispel such suppositions.

HELD CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

The annual Christmas tree party by the Mathew Temperance Institute was held in the organization's quarters yesterday, and, as in other years, the program was thoroughly enjoyable from beginning to end. Starting about 8 o'clock in the afternoon, the festivities were halted at a o'clock and were resumed in the evening, when general dancing continued until midnight.

The afternoon program opened with the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. John W. Sharkey acted as Santa Claus, and so capably did he preside that the members and lady friends were convinced with laughter until the last package had been opened and presented to its lucky owner. The presents were of a humorous nature, but some of them might have been useful to others than those to whom they were addressed.

John J. Catapan and Joseph O'Loughlin seemed to be most popular, since nearly half the presents on the tree were addressed to these gentlemen. Several of the young ladies received a great number of gifts.

The Christmas tree had been attractively decorated for the occasion by a committee of young ladies, members of the musical troupe: Misses Mary Brennan, Mary Burrows, Mary Cavanaugh, Mary Dunlavy, Anna Eckland, Mabel Hogan, Nance O'Neil, Mae Reilly, Kathleen Reilly, Nellie Thomas, and Winnie Welch.

After the distribution of gifts was concluded the committee in charge, assisted by the young ladies, served light refreshments. A short concert program followed, with selections by Marshall's orchestra and solos by several of the members, accompanied by John Brady, pianist of the afternoon.

General dancing was next in order, but so little time was left that all present agreed to take a short intermission for supper, and return to spend the evening in dancing. The orchestra resumed its task about 8 o'clock and

dancing continued until "Home, Sweet Home," at midnight, brought the observance to a close.

The committee in charge was composed of the following members: Herbert Nussent, chairman; Walter M. Quinn, Harold McKee, P. Frank Reilly and Bernard H. Bourke.

During the afternoon, President Arthur M. Flaherty announced that as it was deemed inexpedient to hold the regular meeting on Sunday, Christmas day, the semi-annual election of officers will take place at a meeting to be held on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

MANAGER OF TEA CO. GIVES DETAILS

HAD SEARCHED 61 YEARS FOR RELIEF, DECLARES REILLY—COULD HARDLY WORK

James T. Reilly, manager of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Store at Windsor Locks, Connecticut, is still another who has found Tanlac a safe and sure road back to health, strength and working efficiency.

"For over six years," said Mr. Reilly, in relating his experience, "I had a terrible time with my stomach and while I tried everything I ever heard of I got no relief. I was never free from suffering, but I would get worse by spells, which lasted for two months at a time, when my misery was indescribable. My stomach seemed as sour as vinegar, I would bloat up as light as a drum with gas, and have such bad pains in the pit of my stomach that I would get right weak and break out with cold perspiration. My rest was all broken up, for I often had to get up at night and try to get relief from the interstices of indigestion so I could sleep."

"Last spring I got to reading about Tanlac and, keeping up my custom of trying everything, I bought a bottle of it. At this time I could hardly eat anything and was suffering from one of the worst attacks of indigestion I ever had. Well, it's a fact, after my first few doses of Tanlac my stomach felt easier so I stuck right to it and kept on improving. I finished my fourth bottle, last July, feeling fine and since that time I have been eating just any and everything I want, without having a particle of trouble with my stomach. I am still feeling fine, sleep well at night, and am as strong as an ox. Tanlac will always get a good recommendation from me."

Tanlac and Tanlac Vegetable Pills are sold in Lowell by Green's drug store under the personal direction of a special Tanlac representative by Wright Drug Co., Billerica, Mass.; A. D. Falls, Chelmsford, Mass.; Snow's Pharmacy, Concord, Mass., and by the leading drug list in every town.—Adv.

After Christmas Sale of Women's Wear

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FINE QUALITY HEAVY VELOUR, with large fur or self collar; lined throughout with fancy colored silk. Belt or straight line models. Values to \$35.00. Sale price

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COATS

SUEDENE AND BOLIVIA and several other excellent materials; opossum, nutria or squirrel collar. Misses' and women's sizes. Values to \$75.00. Sale price

\$39.75

FURS

BLACK WOLF AND FOX SCARFS—\$60.00 value \$37.50
YOUNG GIRLS' FURS—In squirrel and cone, at greatly reduced prices.
36-INCH MARMOT COATS—All silk lined. Reduced to .. \$78.00
40-INCH MARMOT COATS—Belted model. Reduced to .. \$87.00
NEAR SEAL COATS—With Alaska sable collar and cuffs. Former price \$249.00. Sale price \$198.00



ODD LOT OF
TAFFETA DRESSES
Odd Lot of Taffeta and Mignonette Dresses—Misses' and small women's sizes, blue, taupe, brown. Values to \$20.00. Sale price \$7.98

SUITS

A number of SMART VELOUR SUITS, with or without fur collars. In navy and brown. Values up to \$40.00. Sale price

\$18.75

COATS

BOLIVIA, in reindeer, navy, taupe, etc. All have large fur collars and are beautifully silk lined. Misses' and women's sizes. Values to \$50.00. Sale price

\$26.75

FURS

ONE HUDSON SEAL COAT—36 inches long, beaver collar and cuffs. Former price \$250.00 \$198.00
ONE MARMOT COAT—36 inches long, large raccoon collar and cuffs; all silk lined. Former price \$119.00 \$98.00
ONE HUDSON SEAL COAT—Silk lined, extra fine fur trimmed. Dolman model. Former price \$400.00 \$198.00
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CHILDREN'S COATS

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MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

The Christmas tree exercises in front of city hall Saturday afternoon and evening attracted thousands of men, women and children, and the two programs arranged by the committees in charge, were carried out without a hitch. The afternoon program at 4:30 o'clock, was attended by several hundred children, as well as grown-ups, there being carol singing with hymns, also music by Aiken's band from the city hall steps. The falling snow failed to dampen the ardor of the singers, and only increased the beauty of the scene. The tree, tall and symmetrical, and shrouded with decorations, including multi-colored electric light bulbs, presented a pleasing picture.

Mayor Perry D. Towne spoke to the children, greeting them with words of Christmas cheer and wishing them all a happy New Year. Frederick O. Hunt, supervisor of music in the schools, directed the singing.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN'S LYCEUM

The members of the Catholic Young Men's Lyceum, to the number of 150, thoroughly enjoyed their annual Christmas tree exercises on Sunday afternoon. Not only was the tree attractively decorated but was bountifully laden with presents as well, and when Santa Claus started the distribution the exercises became decidedly entertaining.

William Connelly acted as Santa Claus, and presented a large number of presents of every description to those present. The presents were evenly divided between the comic variety and those expressing genuine good will and friendship among the members. The members decided after deep consideration that Joe Heasman had received the flashiest tie. James Walsh, a former secretary of the organization, now residing in Brooklyn, N. Y., was presented with a traveling bag by his former associates. Rev. Francis L. Keenan, the spiritual director, received a sofa pillow, embroidered with the lyceum emblem.

An excellent entertainment was given during the afternoon, with Fred Flynn presiding at the piano. The program was as follows: Tenor solo, John Murphy; solo, "Rose of Kildare," Edward Hines; recitation, Edward McCullar; trombone solo, Victor Bernardi; solo on drum received from Santa Claus, John Murphy; solo, "Timothy Roban."

President James Bruhn announced during the afternoon that there will be a ladies night on Monday evening, January 2. He wished the members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Martin Givivan was chairman of the committee in charge.

BIG SHIPMENTS OF RAW COTTON

Heavy shipments of raw cotton are coming into New England every week, and much of it is coming to Lowell textile mills, according to The Commercial Bulletin of Dec. 24. Good business ahead is the outlook for local mills for the coming year. This city stands third among the five principal cotton centers of New England as regards bales of cotton lately received. The receipts for November were the largest of any one month, for several years. Reports from the five principal consuming centers, Lowell, New Bedford, Lawrence, Fall River, Manchester, show that these cities have received during the month no less than 137,616 bales, besides that which was received at other smaller centers. The same five cities show an aggregate total for August, September and October this year of 204,277 bales.

It is said that the heavy receipts are partly due to buying on the part of the mills during September and early October, but the spot cotton demand from New England mills has been strong ever since the beginning of the cotton season owing to the extremely small stocks of cotton they were carrying in reserve. There were hardly any stocks of unsold cotton in public storage in New England that could be offered to fill this demand, and southern shippers, at last realizing the situation, are hastening to ship in stocks which can be offered as spots.

New Bedford received more than any other city during the month, with Fall River next and Lowell third in the list. The heavy receipts for November, together with the somewhat stronger movement during October have now brought the total amount received in the various cities since the beginning of the current cotton season up to a figure slightly exceeding previous season's figures covering the same period.

SALVATION ARMY DISTRIBUTED BASKETS

Nearly 1500 baskets were made glad over the Christmas holidays by the Salvation Army. All day Friday and Saturday the workers were busy distributing the baskets containing the good things to eat subscribed by the generous people of the city.

The usual Sunday services were held in the quarters in Appleton street, while a Christmas tree was given yesterday to the soldiers and sailors.

Tomorrow afternoon will be the big time for the poor children of the city when the army gives its annual Christmas tree. Many good things are in store for the youngsters, and it is expected hundreds of poor children will be made happy by the sight of the tree which they missed on Christmas day.

IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

"Down the Chimney. With Santa Claus" is the title of the cantata presented last night at St. Paul's church by the Sunday school children under the direction of Mrs. Clara Richardson and Frank Farrell. The affair was largely attended and received very favorable notice. Drew acted as accompanist, while Charlotte Snow was soloist. The first Orrel played the part of Santa Claus and Frank Adams had charge of the stage setting. Those who took part in the cantata were: Mrs. Clara Richardson, Louise Drew, Marion McQuade, Helen and Bernice Drew, Edith Goodrich, Madge Beach, Paul Higgins, Robert Drew, Hendrick Perry, Edith Beach, Frank Irel, Edith McQuade, Madeline Perry, Helen McQuade, Bernice Reed, Thelma Adams, Barbara Amy, Lechl Orrell, Edith Martin, Vivian Adams, Virginia Sheldon and Jessie Gilchrist.

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More Hydrants Much Needed

housing colonies being erected in various sections of the city, there is not a corresponding increase in fire-fighting facilities. The plans for these various home building centers put houses close together and map out new streets, avenues and private ways, but regardless of this fact, the chief claims the present system of hydrants is deemed sufficient in all cases when, according to his judgment, it would impose a hardship upon firemen to suppress a serious fire in such sections. He cites Pawtucketville as one district absolutely in need of more fire hydrants.

He explained the development of Pawtucketville has been rapid, that many new houses have been built and it is commonly known the population is particularly dense there. "I have suggested more than once to the city government authorities that Pawtucketville should have more fire hydrants but my suggestions have fallen by the wayside in the pressure of other business," said the chief. He added that it is a matter that should be given serious consideration by the new city council.

Only One Hydrant

The chief claimed attention had been directed, by the fire department, to the fact that at the recent isolation hospital fire there was only one hydrant available for use and that this was about 500 feet away from the scene of the fire. He called attention to the fact that one hydrant generally provided for only two lines of hose.

During his talk he referred to the antiquity and inconvenience of flush hydrants, many of which are still installed in this city. These are the old style hydrants, the tops of which come flush with the sidewalks. In order to reach them the firemen must remove the covers first and then unscrew the hydrant caps. Chief Saunders says that there is danger in a severe and sudden storm these flush hydrants may be so well covered as not to be found by the firemen.

In conclusion he said these hydrants should be removed and the new style installed with a marking of some

kind so they could easily be found by the fire-fighters in all kinds of weather.

AT THE CHELMSFORD STREET HOSPITAL

The annual Christmas program Sunday at the Chelmsford Street hospital included an excellent turkey dinner and a concert, the day's events proving a genuine treat under the supervision of Supt. Martin Conley. The exercises opened at 9 o'clock with mass in the morning celebrated by Rev. Bernard H. Fletcher, O.M.I., of the Sacred Heart church, which was followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There were solos by Mrs. Charles Young, James King, James E. Donnelly and Francis Burns.

At 2:30 o'clock, 500 pounds of fresh turkey was placed on the tables, with all the desirable things that go with an old-fashioned turkey dinner. During the afternoon there was a variety concert in every ward, the records being donated by the Bon Marche company.

The hospital acknowledges numerous gifts, including 100 pounds of candy from the Nelson candy shop.

There were foodstuffs and candies also from the St. Vincent's church, commission for the blind, women's sodality of the Sacred Heart and First Baptist church.

CHRISTMAS TREE

AT KEITH'S THEATRE

"Christmas at Keith's doesn't always mean the vaudeville attractions. The wind-up of the last performance on Christmas night is always a signal for the lowering of the big curtain, the departure of the audience, and then "curtain" again, with all the stage lights gleaming and the show folks parading in for their annual Keith Christmas festivities—all outsiders barred.

In every Keith theatre in the country there were Christmas trees, banquets and presentations of gifts, and Manager Pickett of the Lowell amusement house, was just as nifty a Santa Claus last evening, as any man on the East coast. The banquet began shortly after 10:30 o'clock, and it was early this morning before the lights were turned out and auto calls sent in.

The big feast was set in the center of the stage, an immense Christmas tree standing just in back decorated with electric lights, Christmas holly, wreaths and other greenery. It was a jolly gathering, with Thomas Kelley, assistant manager of the theatre, presiding as toastmaster. When Manager Pickett arose to extend greetings, the applause came like a wave of some back-stage thunder-making machine, when Manager Pickett returns from his mountain fastness and brings the storm with him.

Manager Pickett, just as modest as he is when the Rotary club men call on him every Tuesday to say something, was in no little, nevertheless, and after the applause managed to extend Christmas greetings and best wishes. He told those present how the late R. F. Keith conceived the idea of giving the players Christmas feasts while they were away from home and friends. In the old days, the stage artists had to spend their time mostly in hotels or lodging houses at this time of the year, wherever they happened to be playing. Today, every Keith manager plays Santa Claus and the celebrations are unique as happy ones in every way.

Chicken was the piece de resistance last night, but all the other fine things that go to make up a holiday feast were on the tables, too. There was a crackerjack entertainment afterward, with Al Moore's jazz band and numbers by vaudeville artists playing here this week. Dan McCaffrey also sang several selections and there was informal dancing. Just before the close, Assistant Manager Kelley distributed gifts from the big tree.

CROKER REJOICES OVER ENDING FAMILY WAR

By N.E.A. Service

DUBLIN, Ireland, Dec. 27.—"The best political move I've ever made," this is the statement Richard Croker is reported to have made on his election here, referring to the settlement of his 29 years' trouble with his sons.

Croker was for 12 years chief of Tammany Hall and the strongest political boss New York city ever had. It was his second marriage in 1911 to a Cherokee Indian that brought to public notice his long family warfare. Croker's sons, following an unsuccessful attempt in 1920 to have their father declared incompetent to manage his own affairs, started a series of suits for the recovery of various sums alleged to have been advanced by them, for certain railroad shares.

In July, 1921, these suits came up in



Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Croker

court, but they were never pressed. The Crokers had announced a settlement of their difficulties out of court.

Born in Ireland, Richard Croker was born in Clonakilly, County Cork, Ireland, on Nov. 23, 1841.

At seven, his parents brought him to the United States. He was educated in

NEW YORK PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND LATER BECAME A MACHINIST.

In 1865 he became interested in politics and was elected alderman in 1868, 1870 and 1883. From 1873 to 1875 he was a New York common councilman and in 1875 to 1890 he was city chamberlain. During his administration of this office, Croker became the pronounced opponent of the Tweed ring. After the most bitter political fight in America, Croker was elected Tammany chieftain over Tweed's opposition.

On his resignation 17 years later, Croker returned to Ireland, still retaining his American citizenship, and was granted the freedom of Dublin in 1907.

Croker's first wife was Miss Elizabeth Frazer, whom he married in 1873. She died in 1914, after which he was wed to Miss Beulah Benton Edmonson, who was of Cherokee extraction. She had studied music in Boston and had become a teacher of music in New York, where Croker met her.

GIRL MISSING SINCE SUNDAY NIGHT

BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—No news had been received this morning of the whereabouts of Miss Lila Dale Russell, 23 years old, of Baltimore, N. C., who disappeared Sunday night from the south branch of the Young Women's Christian Association here.

Miss Russell, a student of designing, vanished about 9 o'clock Sunday night.

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One new member was initiated at last evening's regular meeting of Court Middlesex. F. of A. and the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: J. T. Geary, chief ranger; J. McCullough, sub chief ranger; M. H. McNiff, treasurer; J. J. McMeagan, financial secretary; T. P. Quinn, recording secretary; D. Dillon, senior warden; J. O'Neil, junior warden; L. P. Kennedy, senior head; J. J. Bell, junior head; Dr. E. J. Welch, physician.

ROBSON AND CARNONE DRAW

FORTLAND, Me., Dec. 27.—Tommy Robson of Malden, Mass., and Frank Carbone of Brooklyn, N. Y., fought the most sensational draw battle between middleweights in the memory of the oldest ringsider when they met at the Pine Tree A.C., yesterday afternoon.

THE AFFAIRS OF JANE

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OH, BEAUTIFUL, I'LL TAKE IT

I DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD TWO SO SIMILAR HATS IN STOCK, JANE

WE DIDN'T

IT WAS THE SAME HAT

MISS MARIE J. C. O'DONNELL, organist, directed an exceptionally fine musical program, and among those who participated were: Sopranos, Mrs. Evelyn Donnelly, Mrs. Mary Mooney, Miss Ellen Lynch and Miss Kathleen Jennings; contraltos, Miss Mary Mack and Helen Bradley; tenors, James King, Charles Patton, and John Hartnett; basses, William Gookin, Andrew McCarthy, Joseph Kelly and George Brundage; organist, Miss Marie J. C. O'Donnell. Miss O'Donnell was assisted by the following violinists and cellists: Miss Marietta Brundage, Raymond Bourgeois, Charles O'Donnell and Miss Gertrude Regan.

Spiritual pageants and music featured the evening's services in the Protestant churches. Representations of events at Bethlehem and special electrical effects predominated.

At St. Anne's church, Holy communion was celebrated at the 7:30 and 9 o'clock services in the morning and at a special service, with a sermon by the pastor, at 10:15. At this service there was music by a vested choir. The usual carol service, with full vested choir, took place at 8 p. m., and was an unusually pretty spectacle.

With the young girls and men in their vestments joining in the professional with their banners, singing "Adeste Fideles." The story of the Nativity was told by the pastor, Rev. Appleton Grannis, for the benefit of the pupils of the church school.

At All Souls Congregational-Unitarian church the Christmas service included both adults and children. Rev. Arthur C. McNeill preached to both on topics suitable to the season. The Christmas anthems, under the direction of Albert Edmund Brown, added greatly to the beauty of the service.

At first-light service was held at the First Congregational church Sunday evening. The Messiah was sung by the choir and the same subject was the topic on which Rev. Percy E. Thomas based his sermon. About 1400 persons attended. The solos in "The Messiah" were capably sustained by Mrs. C. A. Hooker, Miss Geneva Hanson, Andrew McCarthy and Harry Hopkins, and the chorus work was excellent. Immense wreaths of evergreen formed the base of the decorations. Lights cleverly concealed in these wreaths and an immense star over the pulpit furnished light for the services.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

D. F. KEITH THEATRE

Genuine jazz, with melodious concert offerings of an instrumental nature in addition to that send the blood racing and the feet thumping when lively tunes of various kinds, popular and up-to-date, are played, was highly enjoyed by patrons of D. F. Keith's theatre yesterday. Manager Pickett offered a rare holiday bill of varied interest, that captured the throng of "first-nighters" and proved to be one of the best vaudeville offerings of the local season. Seats were hard to obtain, most of them being taken early for the leading attraction, Al. Moore and his Colored States Jazz band, was a real headliner and everyone of the music for which this travelling organization is famous. Nothing could have been finer for a holiday "bill" than this organization of real musicians. Their music drove away the blues, if anyone had any, and set the blood a-tangling. The troupe is a well-balanced one, every man being a soloist. The jazz tunes were played skillfully and with excellent rhythm, every musician being of top-notch variety when it came to sticking to the key. The players used the usual jazz "sympathy" effect, with shoulder shrugs and movements, some of the combinations being carried out in a most amusing way and without offending. It was melody all the way, and an excellent "leader" for this week's attractive bill.

A good "second" to the jazz band is the act provided by Harry Norwood and Alpha Hall, who appeared in a skit, "It May Have Happened to You." The skit is new, the jokes far from re-vamped, and the comedy of Norwood worth going to see. Miss Hall has a notable reputation in legitimate theatre, having appeared at one time with the late Joseph Jefferson in "Rip Van Winkle," and also taking a prominent part in "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch."

A dancing pair who can really dance are Way Dalton and Jane Craig, their act being tagged "Aladdin's Lamp." There is staging, comedy, alluring costumes and a story to this act that please the audience and make the act feeling one worth seeing. Anthony and Arnold call their little skit "When Greek Meets Greek." This is a comedy, too, all of it, and the slings and shots back and forth are amusing to hear. A reminder of the old time Punch and Judy shows is provided by Maxon and Morris, who do a performance that will delight young and old, especially the young. An aerial nov-

elly is provided by Paul and Pauline, who swing through the air from one trapeze to another as gracefully as a pair of birds, and never tumble. There are several new features with this novelty not seen before. Clifford Jordan, juggler of ability, creates laughter as well as applause with his excellent little bill.

Pathe News, Topics of the Day and Acson's Fables round out one of the best holiday bills ever provided by Manager Pickett, who is to be congratulated on the excellent variety and the "newness" of nearly every act. A refreshing novelty in stage times of so many old-time board favorites who, while always welcome, sometimes furnish little that is new, attractive or satisfying.

On Saturday next, there will be three performances, the regular afternoon show starting at the usual time, with two evening performances, at 6:30 and 8:30, respectively, the latter carrying through to New Year's Day.

RIALTO THEATRE

Alternate laughs and weeps are provided to everybody who visits the Rialto during this week and witness the screen acting of Mary Pick-



A List of "The Best Ten Short Film Subjects of 1921"



"SISTERS UNDER THEIR NAMES" WOULD BE A FITTING DESIGNATION FOR KATHERINE MACDONALD, (LEFT), AND MARY McLAUGHLIN. THEY ARE SISTERS, YOU KNOW. KATHERINE'S LAST PICTURE WAS "THE INFIDEL." MARY IS PLAYING OPPOSITE VALLEY REID IN "ACROSS THE CONTINENT."

By JAMES W. DEAN
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Greater entertainment is often furnished by new reels, comics, scenic and other short reel subjects than by featured films on theatre programs.

Therefore, I believe that they are worthy of treatment similar to that given featured films. Those who have produced the best of such subjects should be accorded the recognition given producers of feature photodramas.

No one person can see all the film subjects in one year. Time will not allow it even if the strain on the eyes did not forbid it. I see about 50,000 feet of film a week, 10,000 of which is made up of comedies and other short features.

The following list of what I consider the ten best short features of 1921 is limited to those films which I have personally seen. Order of arrangement is without regard to relative merit. A basis of comparison is not possible because of the diversity of types. The list:

"Never Weaken." Lloyd comedy.
"The Playhouse." Keaton comedy.
"The Four Seasons." Kinetograph review.
"Punch." Kinetograph comedy.
"March Studies." scenic.
"Tony Sarg's screen marionettes."
"The Northern Trail," short drama.
"The Russian Family." scenic.
"The Bashful Sultana." scenic.
"Slow motion of Snowy Baker's fall."
"Never Weaken" was a comedy that contained the satirical element in a large measure. "The Playhouse" offered the best example of humor gained through technical and mechanical effects.

"The Four Seasons" was more than a character is admirably cast, and is executed with masterful skill. Alfred E. Green and Jack Pickford, brother of the famous screen star, are responsible for directing this splendid feature. The double exposure work in which Mary Pickford plays herself, a photograph, kisses herself, and performs other seemingly impossible feats, will stand among the greatest of camera achievements and will stamp Charles Foster as a master of this art. It is safe to say that this great picture will prove one of the most successful ever shown at the Rialto and will make a delightful holiday treat over Christmas.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE
The Merrimack Square presents for its feature picture during the first part of the week a story of Scottish life under the title of "The Little Minister," with Betty Compson playing the leading role. The co-feature stars Thomas Meighan in "A Prince There Was," an adaptation from the legitimate stage play popular two years ago.

"The Little Minister" differs a great deal from the story told in the novel of the same name but has retained much of the charm of the original. The leading down process to make it every bit as delightful as was the book. As Eddies, Miss Compson makes a doublet bit and with the appearance of a fine supporting cast, carries the theme through perfectly. Even the author, Sir James M. Barrie, couldn't have chosen a better individual for the part. The picture is a masterpiece in mind when he wrote the book.

The first scene is played in the village of Thrums and shows the uprising of the weavers, who reject a proposal of the lord of the manor. When trouble between the weavers and members of the constabulary seems evident, the little minister, David Balfour, intervenes and leads the weavers in hand when Balfour arrives and urges the crowd to protect their rights.

The minister and Balfour are seen with the lord of the manor and the daughter of the church, decide to take the minister to task for this seeming friendship with Balfour. Lord Balfour, however, has been sort of a leader of the weavers, and his arrest. The minister tells Lord Balfour that it was he who is to blame.

The story of the church debt, Balfour and the minister, are legally married under the laws of the Scottish church. Lord Balfour's evidence does much to bring about this decision. Balfour is captured and taken out to the Lady Barbara of the Rialto house. Lord Balfour then attempts to have the marriage nullified but the

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at the Strand theatre for the first three days of the week. It is an unusual story full of spectacular scenes with real dramatic action, and with such an artist as Miss Alice Joyce in the title role, it cannot but make a hit. The story deals with a young woman who is beset by enemies because she refused to dine with her employer while his wife was away and as a result she is forced to go from one position to another in order to support her two children. She finally drifts to a restaurant, where she is given employment as a chamber singer, and there becomes acquainted with a famous truck driver, who helps her mother. The truck driver is in love with the girl and marries her, although she still loves the man she believes has wronged her. This man is a friend of the doctor and when the latter learns that his friend and his wife were formerly lovers, he becomes enraged and wrecks an entire room of wedding gifts, and then there's the Dickens to pay.

Another delightful play is "The Killer," a powerful drama built about the most sinister and fascinating character that ever lived in fiction. It deals with Henry Hopper, a killer by nature, who carries in a little book the names of people he has marked for destruction, crossing them off one by one as fast as his wicked plans are consummated. Among his wicked designs was the imprisonment of a young girl and her brother, because they were part owners of his ranch. It allows no living being to see them, so the girl's position is utterly hopeless. Finally a young man makes his appearance and his presence is followed by a series of interesting adventures. Of course a little romance follows and all ends well.

The program also includes a series of current events showing scenes or happenings in various parts of the world. Then there is also a very pleasing comedy and musical numbers that add greatly to the success of the program.

A rough drama of the great outdoors, continued to Page Eleven

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If You Are Still Thinking of Bobbing Your Hair, Look at These



HOW FOUR STAGE AND SCREEN STARS WOULD LOOK WITH THEIR TRESSES BOBBED. LEFT TO RIGHT, ABOVE, JUSTINE JOHNSTONE, MARY PICKFORD; BELOW, ELSIE FERGUSON, BILLIE BURKE.

If you are still doubtful about having your hair bobbed, look over these pictures of stage and screen stars. They may help you decide. They show four historic favorites, each of whom puts up her hair differently, as they would look with their hair cut short.

Have you the curly hair of Mary Pickford? See what bobbing does to it. Or is your hair of the fluffy kind, like Elsie Ferguson? Look at Elsie with her hair bobbed and decide whether you'd like it. You who have the Billie Burke coil-

ture—that high-up Psyche style—do you like her with her hair bobbed? Or you with the Justine Johnstone style of hair dress, how do you like Justine's bobbed tresses? Justine gets the bobbed hair effect without having her hair cut. So there's not much difference!

NEW SCARFS OF SOFTEST SILK

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The scarf is apt to be quite the loveliest and most distinctive feature of milady's apparel nowadays because it ventures to extend and most beautiful of meshes and dyes any color or tone. In fact she's liable to have quite a selection of them to wrap about her throat this spring when she discards



her wrap for the coat dress heavy enough to defy the yet chill breezes and turns from felts and velvets to satins for her hats.

This light and dainty scarf is hand-woven of silk, the softest that the whole thing would pull through your wedding ring. In color it is a misty violet quite the tone to bring out the smart lines of the flaire hat with its clever metal ornament. The hat is satin.

Testimony in Pelletier Case

Continued

full bench of the Massachusetts supreme court.

United States Senator James A. Reed, senior counsel for Pelletier, announced to the court that he wished to serve formal notice of his desire to file exceptions to two decisions rendered by the court on Dec. 16. One of these decisions denied a motion of the district attorney challenging the court's jurisdiction and the other was a refusal of Pelletier's request that matters to be tried be limited to his acts during his present term of office. Chief Justice Rugg in reply to Senator Reed said: "The full bench of the supreme court sitting in this case can allow and can recognize exceptions to its ruling."

Senator Reed remarked that he recognized the court's attitude but respectfully requested that his petition for leave to file exceptions be allowed to stand. Louis C. Boyle, former attorney general of Kansas, was presented as associate counsel for Pelletier.

The court then entered at once upon the taking of testimony. It had been announced by the attorney general that the evidence presented on the first day of the trial would relate to charges that Pelletier had threatened criminal prosecution to force Dorothy Cote to relinquish claims against a man named Lawrence, a client of Daniel H. Coakley, a Boston attorney, and that Pelletier from improper motives, had not pressed complaints against Isaac Gordon, M. W. Shute, John Frenkelgast and Meyer Berman.

Attorney General Allen added that he expected these cases would occupy most of the court's time today and tomorrow. He called the court's attention to that part of Pelletier's answer which set forth the respondent's belief "that the

accusations are the result of a conspiracy to defame."

Senator Reed served notice that he would ask the court later to consider that some of the charges "are absolute nullities."

The first of the cases taken up was that involving Meyer Berman.

Capt. McDevitt Called. Police Captain James McDevitt, first witness testified that he went to Hotel Higgins in the fall of 1918, at the request of District Attorney Pelletier and obtained the hotel register. This, he said, he delivered to the district attorney.

Meyer Berman, principal in the case, was the next witness. He stated that in partnership with Isaac Gordon, he operated the Hotel Higgins in 1918. Following the visit of the police captain to the hotel, the witness testified that he and Gordon went to see Daniel H. Coakley for legal advice. Coakley, according to the witness, said: "I will see Mr. Pelletier." Later Berman and Gordon visited the district attorney at his office.

"Kind of funny looks you keep," Berman testified that Pelletier remarked to which the witness said he replied: "I don't know. I'll have to see my lawyer, Mr. Coakley."

Berman said he and Gordon then called again at Coakley's office. While they were there, he said, the attorney called Pelletier on the telephone and Berman could hear only one end of the conversation, but he heard Coakley say: "Wait. Don't let him until you hear from me."

\$50,000 to Settle Case. Some time later the witness said he and Gordon again called at Coakley's office, where they met a man who was introduced as "District Attorney Coakley," (William J. Coakley, former district attorney of Middlesex county is now the subject of proceedings looking to his disbarment for alleged irregularities).

Coakley, the witness testified, asked Coakley: "What will it cost to settle this case?" Coakley's reply, according to Berman's testimony was: "\$50,000."

Berman said he told them he was not able to pay this amount; and that Coakley and Coakley retired to a private office.

GREAT OAKS FROM LITTLE ACORNS GROW



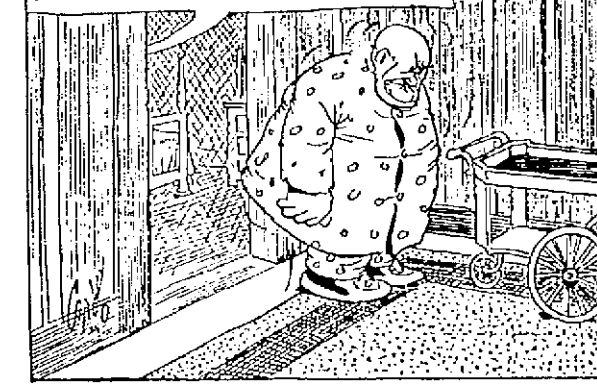
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Postpone Meeting of Arms Conference

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Failure of the French Delegates to receive the formal decision of their government on the American compromise proposal for limitation of submarine strength had caused a postponement of the meeting of the arms conference naval committee scheduled for today until tomorrow. It was believed that the Japanese also might be awaiting further instructions from their government bearing on the American proposal.

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IN PROHIBITION DAYS

More Than 30 Arrests Here
for Drunkenness Over the
Holidays

For celebrating Christmas in a cheerful but illegal manner 32 men and one woman were arrested over the holidays by the local police and booked for drunkenness. The first offenders, as is usual, were given lenient consideration by the probation officer. As a result 15 were released but warned that their next appearance at the Market street building for drunkenness would mean court arraignment. Some were arrested on complaint of their wives for causing disturbances in homes, while the majority were just picked up in various sections of the city and taken to the station, their condition being too serious to allow them to remain to mingle with the general public. Judge Fisher, sitting in district court, imposed light sentences but gave severe lectures in most cases and warned some offenders that if they didn't break off the drinking habit soon they would find themselves in the house of correction.

Perhaps the chief offender for drunkenness among the others was Edward L. Pratt, who has appeared before Judge Enright for various charges several times recently. Police told the court that Pratt several months ago was convicted for annoying a woman in a local theatre and about a week ago was given a suspended sentence to the house of correction for alleged assault on his wife, ordered to pay her \$22 a week and to live apart from her. At the time the defendant's wife related a painful story of mortal wounds. This morning again the woman appeared before Judge Fisher and told of a visit her husband attempted to pay her yesterday afternoon, a window breaking campaign he carried out and the great fear he caused her, her mother and several others. Despite the order of the court that he go away from her, the wife stated in a story on the witness stand, Pratt at about three o'clock yesterday in a drunken condition went to her home and sought admittance by the front door. She refused to let him in, she said, and locked the door. Pratt, with his clenched fist broke the glass panel in the front door and not satisfied with that, went all around the house and by the same means on by one broke all the windows in the first floor. In all, the wife patriotically stated, his fury, she continued,

and threats that he would kill her and her mother, with whom she resides, caused her to protect the children, who were badly frightened, while her mother sought refuge in the tenement upstairs.

In the meantime she called the police, she said, and when an officer arrived Pratt was placed under arrest. The defendant told the court he was anxious to see the children, and admitted he broke the windows. Deputy Downey, said he saw the alleged offender when he was brought in and was in very drunken state.

The court ordered Pratt to make restitution for the windows, the wife stating that it would cost her \$12 to have glass panes replaced, and gave him a suspended sentence of two months to the house of correction, being placed in charge of the probation officer for six months, to whom, the judge added, he must continue to pay \$22 a week for his family. He was again warned not to visit the home of Mrs. Pratt.

Other offenders Joseph Tronick was arraigned for drunkenness and for stealing four lemons from the yard of Owen Byrne in Lakeview avenue. He was found guilty of both complaints. For larceny he was committed to the house of correction for one month, while the drunkenness charge was filed.

The theft, according to Byrne, was committed Saturday night and 'lemons' were valued at \$3 each.

Judge Fisher would pay no heed to Patrick McCormack's plea for another chance and committed him to the house of correction for 60 days.

Alex Dubinsky was given a suspended sentence of two months to the house of correction and placed on probation for six months. The police informed the court that the offender was the defendant in a case now pending in superior court. Dubinsky was given three months to the house of correction in district court a few weeks ago for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and appealed.

George E. Slater came in for a severe reprimand by the court when the police told of the defendant's past record. He was given a two months' term to the house of correction and was put on probation for six months.

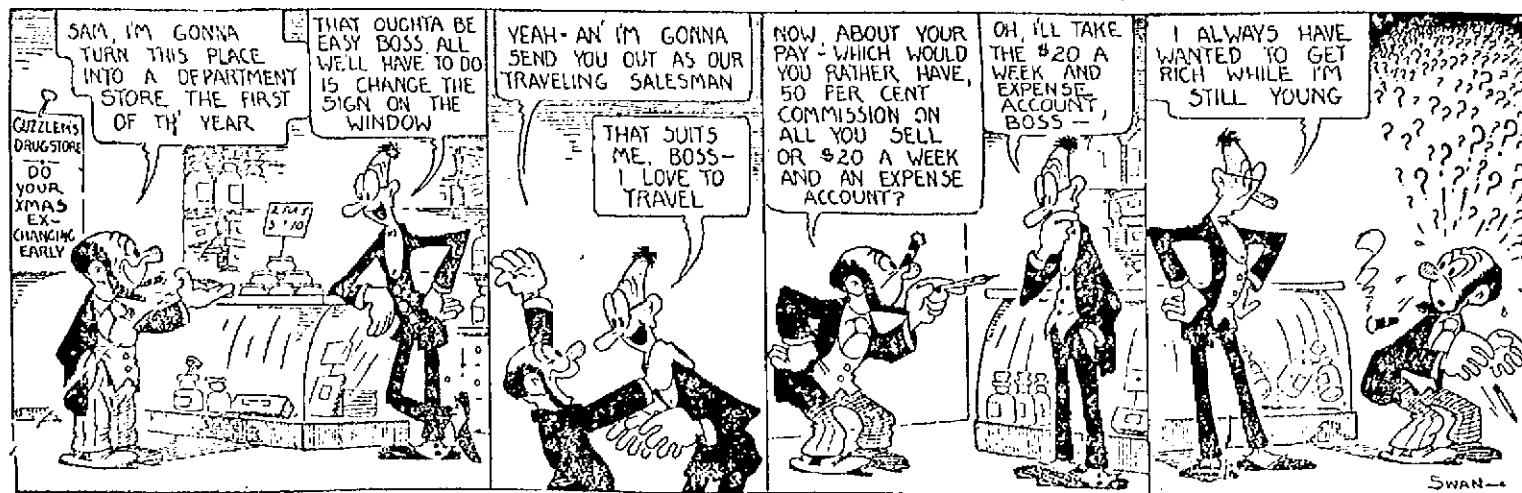
The wife of John Dulek testified that her husband got drunk last night and caused a disturbance when he got home. "What was the matter, Dulek?" the court asked the defendant in trying to bring out his version of the affair. Before the alleged offender could speak, his counsel answered the judge: "He was merely making a merry Christmas for himself and got drunk. Your Honor."

Two months to the house of correction, suspended six months," said Judge Fisher.

Joseph and Ruby Millette, husband and wife, pleaded guilty to drunkenness charges and were each sentenced to one month in the house of correction and execution stayed for six months.

At the request of counsel charges of drunkenness and assault and battery on his wife against Joseph Cyr were continued until Thursday.

At Saturday evening's meeting of loyal Victoria lodge, K. of P., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Jessie Buchanan, N.G.; William Emster, V.G.; Mabel Panton, E.S.; Mrs. Sidel, P.S.; Mrs. Fenley, treasurer; Elizabeth Hartwell, conductor; Mrs. Selley, wardens; Mrs. Cochran, chaplain; Mrs. Arthur, insula guard; Mrs. Patterson, outside guard. At the close of the business session Christmas tree exercises were held and Sister Roper, impersonating Santa Claus, presented gifts to all present. Refreshments were served and entertainment numbers were given by Miss Davis, and Master Stanley Davis.



Former G.A.R. Com. Ketcham Dead

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 27.—William A. Ketcham, former commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home here today. He was 75 years old. Death was caused by acute indigestion. Mr. Ketcham was elected commander in chief Sept. 21, 1920. He was succeeded by Lewis Pitcher of New York, who was elected at the grand encampment held here last September.

\$2000 Worth of Radium In Ashes

NEWTON, Kas., Dec. 27.—Nearly \$2000 worth of radium, or about one-third of a quantity missing from Axtel hospital here, has been recovered from 300 pounds of ashes by eastern chemists, it was announced today. The radium disappeared about two months ago, and investigation prompted the theory that it had found its way to the furnace in bandages removed from patients. More ashes will be shipped to the chemists for examination, it was stated.

After You Are Fifty

You can expect almost anything because your vitality is fast becoming used up and as a rule one becomes over-anxious to lay aside money enough to care for their old age, and during this nerve-breaking period, and worries, you are liable to have a nervous breakdown, and become a fit subject for kidney, liver, and heart troubles.

When you find yourself approaching or afflicted with these troubles, you can build yourself up again by taking from 10 to 20 drops in a little water of the old and reliable remedy, SEVEN BARKS. Don't wait until you are down sick, but step into your nearest drugstore and invest a small sum for a bottle of SEVEN BARKS and be prepared.

It doesn't matter whether you are twenty or fifty if you find that your digestive organs resent what you eat, your heart palpitates on the slightest exertion, your back aches after a day's work, you need a good tonic, kidney and liver regulator, this you will find in SEVEN BARKS, the old fashioned root and herb remedy that our parents and grandparents used to keep their families rugged and well.

If you want to get the greatest efficiency out of your body, enjoy and prolong your life, take SEVEN BARKS for sale at drugstores.—Adv.

Amusement Notes

"The Storm" is a tense, thrilling production which keeps the audience on edge from beginning to end. There are beautiful scenic effects throughout the play and these, thanks to the exceptional work of Louis Allion, director of the production, and William Worswick, assistant director, are put on with amazing precision and completeness.

The plot of the play deals generally with the life of woodsmen and particularly with the events that come to pass in the life of a young girl, born and bred in the great, open, wooded area and who thought nothing of the outside world whatever. Miss Margaret Fields is the girl, who secluded to that sort of life, at the age of young womanhood finds herself facing tribulations, dangers and finally happiness. Interested only in her father, Jacques Eschard, who outside of other casual woodsmen is the only person with whom she has been in constant contact, Miss Fields, as Manette, a pretty girl, is confronted with the loss of her fond parent, taken away by death's stern hand.

Shortly before the bereavement, however, there had come to that part of the world to recover his health, a wealthy Londoner, David Stewart, and Jacques Eschard, another son of the woods, on his deathbed in Winton's cabin the aged Eschard entrusts the care and safety of his daughter to Jacques and Jacques Eschard, who outside of other casual woodsmen is the only person with whom she has been in constant contact, Miss Fields, as Manette, a pretty girl, is confronted with the loss of her fond parent, taken away by death's stern hand.



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These Overcoats formerly sold for \$35.00, \$40.00, \$45.00, \$50.00, \$55.00 and \$60.00. Some broken lines that were \$45.00 are now \$24.50, a great many \$50.00 Overcoats are now \$34.50, and all of the \$60.00 Overcoats are now \$44.50. These prices are lower than we have ever marked our clothing in January, and we guarantee that they will be no lower this winter.

Get yours while the assortment is good, and get the full winter's benefit.

Every garment tailored up to our usual high standard, and guaranteed.

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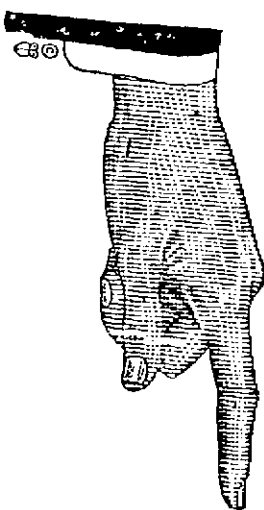
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FRESH BAKED
Bread 5¢ VAN CAMP'S
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Ready at 2 O'Clock Special at 10 O'Clock

Choice Cuts of
LEGS OF PORK Legs of
SPRING LAMB
Lb. 16¢, 18¢ Lb. 30¢

GOLD MEDAL FLOUR **BRIDAL VEIL FLOUR**
\$8.25 BARREL \$9.90 BARREL
Delivered Delivered
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BAG 24½-LB. BAG



Swift's
BORAX SOAP Special at 5 O'Clock
3 Bars 17¢ ½ Lb. BACON Both for
and 1 Lb. LIVER 22¢

Watch for Our ONE CENT SALE

PAID \$50,000 TO PREVENT INDICTMENT

Street Department Head Hears From Civil Service Authorities

Once more the civil service authorities have called on Commissioner Denis A. Murphy to discharge men in his department who, they allege, are illegally employed under the civil service regulations. This time no less than 34 men are affected, their names being attached to a communication notifying the commissioner that unless he discharges these men the civil service officials will communicate with the city auditor and treasurer, stopping their pay.

Commissioner Murphy says that he will let them go at once, rather than see their pay stopped. He feels that it is hard, however, to tell men with families to support that instead of looking for work in his department they must visit the charity department two floors below.

KILLS MAN WITH BASEBALL BAT

Denver Woman Beals Off Man Who Entered Home and Demanded Money

Intruder Drew Pistol and Hit Her on Head—Woman Seized Bat and Retaliated

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 27.—A man believed to be Normal D. Gould is dead at the county hospital today as a result of blows administered with a baseball bat by Mrs. Caroline Bessl. The man entered Mr. Bessl's home and demanded money, then drew a pistol and struck her on the head, the woman told the police.

Mrs. Bessl said she seized the baseball bat from behind a kitchen range and retaliated.

RESUMPTION OF TRADE Terms of Commercial Agreement Between Italy and Soviet Russia

ROME, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—The terms of the commercial agreement between Italy and Soviet Russia, which was signed yesterday by Foreign Minister Della Torretta and M. Vorovsky, the Soviet representative, were published today by the Rome newspapers. The agreement is merely temporary and provides for the resumption of trade between the two countries pending negotiations for a general economic treaty.

The agreement contains reciprocal clauses regarding imports and exports, the entrance and exit of the ships of both nations at each other's ports, and provides for the abstention from propaganda. It does away with all trade barriers, except as to the importation into Italy of alcoholic liquors from Russia.

In addition the agreement stipulates the immediate repatriation of all Italians in Russia desiring to return home. Both parties agreed mutually to refrain from all forms of blockade and agree not to hamper postal and telegraphic communications and not to obstruct Italian trading in Russia. Soviet Russia agrees not to requisition Italian goods, and agrees not to demand from Italy funds from property belonging to the old Russian regime.

Signor Torretta and M. Vorovsky also signed a similar agreement between Italy and Ukraine.

Arrangements also were made whereby a relief mission, financed by the Italian government, will operate in southern Russia under the auspices of the Italian Red Cross.

PUBLIC NOTICE

"This is to certify that I have taken your Tekol Tablets and I find them to be a grand remedy. They have helped my rheumatism and heart greatly and as a quick-bracer I never saw their equal, and they are the best thing for headache I ever used. I would not be without them in any case. It is the most invigorating, nerve-sustaining tonic ever produced. Two or three tablets on arising in the morning will reduce seventy to thirty in age in less than 20 minutes. It is the only medicine I have ever taken that will back up the claims of its originator."

SEMON H. ADAMS, Putnam, Conn. Write to P. O. Box 2552, Boston, for circulars, in which users of Tekol tell what it has done for them. TEKOL is for sale by Dows & Co., Merrimack, and Lowe Trade supplied by Eastern Drug Co.—Adv.

BOY AND GIRL IN SUICIDE PACT

Too Poor to Marry, Reason That Impelled Young Couple to Take Poison

Passaic, N. J., Youth Told Police of Death Pact Just Before He Died

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 27.—Too poor to marry. That was the reason that impelled Thomas Brands, 15, and his sweetheart, Martha Kiss, 17, to take their lives by poison here early today, the boy told the police at the general hospital where he died. Thomas was employed as a clerk by a local mill and the girl was a stenographer.

The boy and girl met about a year ago and soon became fast friends. The friendship developed and they were together on every possible occasion. Because of their youth and the fact that Thomas was just starting on his career and was not making enough money, they had not planned an immediate marriage. Last Saturday, however, the girl confided to her sweetheart that she felt they should marry soon. They talked it over and decided that this was out of the question for financial reasons. Then came the resolve to die. They planned to make it Christmas Day, but loath to bring grief to their families on such a holiday, they waited until yesterday morning.

A visit to the corner drug store, purchase of poison with which to "kill a dog" and they went to the girl's home where Brands had always been a welcome visitor. They were alone in the sitting room most of the evening and it was shortly after midnight that the girl staggered into her mother's room, suffering from convulsions. While an ambulance surgeon was working on her young Brands entered in a similar condition. They were taken to the same ambulance to the hospital where they died within two hours.

SOCIALISTS GATHER TO WELCOME DEBS

TERREHAUTE, Ind., Dec. 27.—Terre Haute is abuzz with socialist activity today. Leaders of the organization from all parts of the country are assembling here as the advance guard of the thousands expected to welcome Eugene V. Debs, on his arrival from Washington about 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Inquiries are coming in from all labor centers in the state asking about the demonstration. Phil K. Reinhold, chairman of the local committee in charge of the plans, said today there would be 25,000 men and women in the parade Wednesday afternoon. A mass meeting has been called for tonight as a tribute to Debs and to afford an opportunity for the gathering hosts to give vent to their feelings for their leader.

NEW YORK CLEARINGS. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Exchanges. \$176,700,000; balances \$41,000,000.

SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES TO RENT
LOWELL INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS
18 SHATTUCK ST.

DEBS FOR WAR AGAINST WAR

Will Occupy Great Part of Future Activities of Freed Socialist Leader

Hopes Every Man, Woman and Child Will Refuse to Go to War

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—War against war is to occupy a great part of the future activities of Eugene V. Debs, freed from Atlanta penitentiary on Christmas day, he announced here today. The socialist leader said he could make no concrete plans for the future until he reached his home in Terre Haute, Ind., for he will leave Washington tonight.

Debs announced his determination to obtain, if possible, a vow from every man, woman and child in this country, and every country which he might visit, that they refuse to take up arms and go to war.

"There will be war," he said, "in some form and war growing progressively more and more destructive, until a competitive world has been transformed into a co-operative world. Every war for trade, power or later and inevitably becomes a war of blood."

SALARY INCREASES AT CITY HALL

An increase in salary is to be given all the office employees of the water department and two clerks in the lands and buildings office, according to a story current at city hall today.

While Commissioner Salmon denied that any such increase had taken place in his department, he intimated that there may be an increase of a few cents in a short time, which means, necessarily, something this week. Commissioner Marchand could not be reached, so the rumor regarding his department has not yet been confirmed in any degree.

CADILLAC
Announces New Prices, Effective Jan. 1, 1922

Touring Car \$3150
Phaeton \$3150
Roadster \$3100
Two-Passenger Coupe \$3875
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FINDING BY CORONER MIX

Building Inspector and Theatre Officials Criminally Responsible for Deaths of 9

Reports on Inquest Into Cause of Disaster in New Haven Theatre

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 27.—City Building Inspector Joseph E. Austin, Lawrence E. Carroll, manager of the theatre, and Alfred S. Black, president of the Connecticut Theatres corporation which controlled the theatre, are held criminally responsible for the deaths of nine persons in the Rialto theatre fire November 27. In a finding by Coroner E. H. Mix today.

The death of Everett E. Chase, which was typical of all the fatalities in the fire, served as a basis for the coroner's inquest.

The finding criticizes other persons connected with the operation of the theatre and the presentation of a prologue to a film which, it is declared, continued to Page Four

ALLEGED VIOLATION OF "BLUE SKY" LAWS

An attorney appearing for complainants against Joseph S. Beauregard, charged with selling securities without a registered broker's license, stated before Judge Fisher in district court today, that the whole matter ought to be investigated by the district attorney. The case, put over to today from two weeks ago, was again continued to January 4. Beauregard is alleged to have violated the "Blue Sky" laws, which deal with brokers and investment securities. It is claimed by the prosecution that during his stock dealings in this city he was not duly registered as a broker with the public utilities commission at the state house. When the case opened, one of two attorneys appearing for complainants who claim to have been sold stock by Beauregard, requested the court to increase by about \$2000 the bail of \$300 under which the defendant was held.

During a conversation with the judge by three lawyers in the case, two appearing against Beauregard and one for him, one of the prosecuting attorneys stated that checks made out by the defendant's son and endorsed by Joseph S. Beauregard had been passed during the alleged offender's operations in Lowell, and in view of the probability that additional complaints may be lodged against him, that he had been substantially augmented. The other lawyer for the government told the court he thought the transaction involving sales of investment securities in this city alleged to have been made by Beauregard should be looked into by the district attorney. Neither the justice or the counsel for the defendant replied to this statement. After considering the advisability of increasing the amount of surety, the judge later stated he would let bail stand at the original figure and continued the case.

HEARING ON HOTEL RAID

Validity of Warrant Used in Seizure of Liquor at Quincy

House Under Question

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The validity of the search warrant used by prohibition enforcement officers in making seizure of liquors at the Quincy house while a banquet to Gov. Channing Cox was being held there a week ago, was under question today when the case of Harold G. Kern and John J. McCarthy, charged with possessing the liquor illegally, came up before a federal commissioner. The hearing was postponed.

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THE IDEAL SAVING SYSTEM
Coupon Books—
25c to \$5 a Week
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A BOOK FOR EVERY MEMBER
OF THE FAMILY

204 MERRIMACK STREET

BLACK EYE NECKTIE lost on Merrimack St. Tuesday morning. Reward \$5. Turnover, adv. Braut.

Witness in Trial of Dist. Atty. Pelletier Says He Turned Over Money to Coakley to Settle Complaint

MORE HYDRANTS MUCH NEEDED

Hydrants of Latest Type Very Necessary, Says Chief Saunders

Only One Hydrant at Recent Hospital Fire—Needs of Pawtucketville Stated

According to chief of the fire department Edward F. Saunders Lowell needs more fire hydrants and hydrants of the latest type to replace so-called "push-hydrants." At a recent meeting of the fire protection committee of the chamber of commerce the chief made these facts known in a forceful manner.

He claims there are numerous sections of the city which are menaced by the lack of hydrants and that thickly settled residential districts, besides being inefficiently protected by the present fire alarm system, are, in some cases, not reached by the present network of fire mains. The chief admits, that in case of fire, hose lines may be laid from one hydrant in the neighborhood, but this may be so far away, and in such a difficult position to reach, that it would cause delay and endanger life and the loss of property. Also this one hydrant, which in nearly every neighborhood may be reached by long lines of hose, would be probably inadequate to supply enough water.

Chief Saunders contends long hose lines in themselves are not only bothersome in the laying of hose, which wastes a great deal of precious time, but that water pressure, so essential in the combatting of fire, is reduced by increased friction and other natural causes. He claims the best work can be done by the fire-fighters when short hose lines are used.

The chief points out that despite the fact there are numerous new

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PLANS FOR INAUGURAL EXERCISES COMPLETE

Plans for the inaugural exercises at city hall on next Tuesday have been completed, and a summary of the assembly, the order of march to the council chamber, where the exercises will take place, and order of exercises has been sent to each of the council-elect by Mayor-elect George H. Brown.

According to the program, the mayor-elect and council-elect will assemble in the mayor's reception room before 2:30 on the morning of January 3, where they will be met by the retiring mayor, Rev. J. M. Fiske, pastor emeritus of the First Presbyterian church, Judge Thomas J. Bright of the district court, Major

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DELAY STEALS YOUR TIME AND MONEY

True! The old, gray haired proverb "Procrastination is a thief of time" is an eternal truth. Listen to "Experience"—save NOW don't delay—get the habit of laying-up small sums at interest—join our

THRIFT CLUB

Small sums, 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00 or \$10.00 easily saved are as easily saved after you determine to stop useless spending. We're here to help and encourage you—a friend to advise wisely. Ask for folder that explains our Thrift Club Methods.

MIDDLESEX SAFE DEPOSIT and TRUST CO.
Merrimack, Cor. Palmer St.

ADDITION TO CITY SQUARES

City Council Approves Name of Square Recommended by American Legion

City Auditor is Directed to Pay All Outstanding Bills of the Water Department

An addition to the list of city squares was made at the municipal council meeting this morning, when the recommendation of the local post of the American Legion that the new square off Jerlam street, formerly known as Locke street, be named Thomas F. Mann square, was approved by the council.

The claim of Jeremiah D. Sullivan against the city of Lowell came up for a hearing, and after Mr. Sullivan had presented his case the hearing was laid over with the understanding that he would submit his bills for surgical treatment and other necessary items. Mr. Sullivan lost two fingers in an accident.

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LOWELL ROTARY CLUB

Rev. Percy E. Thomas Carries Christmas Message to Local Rotarians

Rev. Percy E. Thomas, pastor of the First Congregational church, gave the members of the Lowell Rotary club something to remember this afternoon, when he arose to speak on "The Brotherhood of Man." The address was introduced and cordially greeted in Rotarian fashion by George W. Healey, chairman of the day's entertainment. No speaker of the month was more roundly applauded after an address.

It was a Christmas message that not only aroused intense enthusiasm, but gave the Rotarians something to remember when the New Year rolls around. Although not a Rotarian, the pastor knows Rotarians, having met a large number in other cities and been their guest.

The pastor's striking address was delivered after the Rotarians had held a club meeting at transient considerable business. A feature of the day was the announcement of the names of ten membership terms, who have a lot of work cut out for them.

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Rear Admiral Davis, Retired, Dead

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Rear Admiral Charles Henry Davis, retired, brother-in-law of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, died at his home here today. He was a native of Boston and 76 years of age.

Admiral Davis had been ill for some time. It was said burial probably would be at Boston.

Admiral Davis was the son of the late Rear Admiral Charles Henry Davis and a brother of Mrs. Lodge. He was appointed to the naval academy from Massachusetts and was graduated in 1874. He became superintendent of the naval observatory in 1897, and since has lived in Washington.

Later he commanded the battleship Alabama and also served as division commander of the battleship squadron. In 1901 and 1905, he was the American representative on the international commission of inquiry on the North sea incident which sat in Paris.

Admiral Davis was retired in 1907, and since has lived in Washington.

SAVINGS DEPOSITS

Draw Interest from January 1, 1922.

5% RATE LAST 5%
FOUR DIVIDENDS
BANKING HOURS:
Daily 8½ A. M. to 3 P. M.—Saturday 8½ to 9 P. M.
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WE STRIVE TO MAKE THIS A STORE WHERE
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After Christmas Ready-to-Wear Sale

HAVE YOU BEEN WAITING? NOW IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

THIS IS THE BIGGEST READY-TO-WEAR EVENT OF THE YEAR

Hundreds of new garments on sale at less than manufacturers' cost. New, beautiful HIGH GRADE merchandise bought at tremendous concessions from manufacturers for cash and on sale for the first time at extraordinary prices. Also our own beautiful merchandise from our regular stock at big markdowns.

NOT A GARMENT IN THIS ENTIRE STOCK WAS MADE FOR SALE PURPOSES but surplus stock of high grade and exclusive manufacturers who had to turn their merchandise into cash.

THE SMARTEST STYLE GARMENTS OF THE ENTIRE YEAR ARE HERE FOR YOUR CHOOSING

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COATS

DRESSES



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Two Hundred New Beautiful High Grade Coats in the smartest styles, trimmed with luxurious furs—All bought in New York last week and are on sale at less than manufacturers' cost. Also our entire stock of coats at big reductions.

Wonderful Bolivia Coats With Finest Fur Trimmings.

Coats
\$37.50

Coats
\$57.50

FUR TRIMMED BOLIVIA COATS—All silk lined, trimmed with taupe, nutria and wolf, in rich shades of brown, sorrento and navy; sizes 16 to 44. These were \$55.00 to \$69.50.

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FINE FUR TRIMMED HIGH GRADE COATS—Made of cerona, andria, pollyanna and panne de laine, with great fur collars of platinum wolf, beaver, nutria and Alaska wolf. Every coat an exceptional value at \$79.50 to \$95.00.

Second Floor

COATS - \$98.50

MARVELLA WRAPS AND COATS—the most beautiful styles we have ever shown. Trimmed with beaver, Siberian gray squirrel and platinum wolf. Made to sell for \$150.00 and up.

Big Clearance Sale of Dresses

Afternoon Dresses, Dinner Dresses, Party Dresses, Tricotine Dresses, Canton Crepe Dresses, Lace Dresses.

A Big Clearance Sale of Our Entire Dress Stock

\$7.50, \$12.50, \$18.50, \$25, \$35 to \$49.50

Now is the time to get selection and wonderful values. Remember these are not dresses made for sale purposes but GENUINE MARK DOWNS of

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EVERY SUIT IN OUR ENTIRE STOCK AT TREMENDOUS REDUCTIONS—All custom tailored made, of Panne de Laine, Pollyanna, Duvet de Laine and Erminie. Trimmed with taupe, nutria, wolf and beaver.

\$35.00 \$49.50 \$59.50

Not one suit in this entire collection sold below \$50.00 and up to \$100.00. The finest of hand-tailored suits—the choicest materials, and furs that give everlasting satisfaction.

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Plaids, stripes and checks. Buy a Sport Skirt now.

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All made to
our order and
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All sizes 26
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Clearance Sale of Millinery

HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE
A FINE WINTER HAT

One of a kind assortment at a price that cannot be equalled, when quality, workmanship and style are considered. In this assortment are included our entire stock of Belnord, Blossom and Bluebird models—all exclusive designs. Fur and fur trimmed hats not included. Regular prices \$12.50 to \$25.00.

Clearance
Sale Price

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FINE QUALITY HATS FOR
CHILDREN

All with streamers and have pallastie linings that will fit any head. These hats are all regular stock. Colors are black, brown, navy and beaver. Regular prices \$3.95 to \$7.50.

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Sale Price **\$1.95**

BRUSHED WOOL TAMS

Suitable for skating and other out-door sports. Fine assortment of colors. Regular price \$1.50.

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Sale Price **\$1.00**

MATRONS' HATS

All very new styles of Lyons and Panne Velvets, in black, brown and navy; trimmed with ostrich wings and pins and fancies. These hats are perfect and suitable for another year. Regular prices \$8.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50.

Clearance
Sale Price **\$5.00**

Another Assortment of Those Good
Hats, at

\$1.00



Street Floor

Ingersoll Watch Makers Bankrupt

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in federal court today against Robert H. Ingersoll & Brothers, manufacturers of the Ingersoll watches of this city. Liabilities were set forth as \$3,000,000 and assets exclusive of good will, as \$2,000,000. The concern admitted its inability to pay its debts and expressed willingness to be adjudged bankrupt. The proceedings were brought by the National City Bank of New York; Chase National Bank of New York and Hathaway, Smith & Co., with combined claims of \$450,000.

Disorders in Belfast—On Man Killed

BELFAST, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press).—One man was killed and several wounded in a clash between a constabulary patrol and a number of men in the Marrowbone area this morning. Order was restored with the aid of an armored car.

Revival of Yachting During Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The revival of yachting marked by performances in the season of 1921 and featured by the unusual interest shown by a new crop of competitors, is interpreted by enthusiasts of the sport as a recovery from the slump into which it tumbled almost six years ago. Although America got the worst of two international events, the six meter contests at Cowes in August for the Royal Yacht Squadron trophy and the events off Halifax in October for the fishermen's trophy, there was ample indication in the activities of yachtsmen in Long Island sound that the game had received new impetus and was again in its old stride.

Italian Sailors Attacked and Clubbed

ROME, Dec. 27. (By the Associated Press).—Disorders between Croates and Italians occurred in Salonic, Dalmatia, during the visit of the Italian destroyer Riboty to that port, says a despatch to the Messaggero from Zara, Dalmatia, today. Sailors from the destroyer are declared to have been attacked and clubbed when they went ashore. Friction between the two nationalities is reported from Spalato.

**Strong as an Ox and as
Bright as a Dollar—
but 85 years old**

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**CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN
THE LOCAL CHURCHES**

Solemn high masses and beautiful musical programmes marked the Christmas day observance in the local Catholic churches. The altars were festively decorated with flowers and evergreen, and wreaths were hung about the pillars. Two midnight masses were celebrated, at St. Anthony's and Notre Dame de Lourdes, and both were crowded to the doors.

The solemn high mass at St. Peter's church was celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan, with Rev. Francis J. Shea as deacon and Rev. John Mahoney as sub-deacon. The greetings of the season were extended to the parishioners by Rev. D. J. Keleher, Ph.D., the pastor. Rev. Peter J. Linehan directed the musical exercises, which were carried out splendidly. Miss Mary Ryan, Miss Florence Haguo, Miss Sadie Sheehan, John Doyle and James E. Donnelly were the soloists, and Miss Gertrude Quigley director. Solemn vespers services were conducted at 7 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Keleher, assisted by Rev. Fr. Heffernan and Rev. Fr. Shea. At this service another well balanced musical program was presented.

Rev. Thomas J. Heagney sang the solemn high mass at St. Michael's church, and was assisted by Rev. James J. Lynch as deacon and Rev. Francis J. Mullin as sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Lynch preached a sermon on the significance of Christmas day. Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor, was seated in the sanctuary. The other masses were celebrated at the usual Sunday hours. In the evening Rev. Fr. Shaw, assisted by Rev. Fr. Mullin and Rev. Fr. Lynch, with Rev. Fr. Heagney as master of ceremonies, sang solemn vespers. At the high mass and vespers service the church quartet and choir and a chorale choir rendered solemn and appropriate music, the chancel choir, of men and boys, singing Christmas carols, processions and responses. The church quartet is as follows: Mrs. James A. Murphy, soprano; Miss Margaret Griffin, contralto; James A. Murphy, tenor; and Thomas P. Boulger, bass. Mr. Murphy is also director and Mrs. Ella M. Toye organist.

Rev. James A. Supple, D.D., was celebrant, Rev. Francis J. Keenan, deacon and Rev. Jos. Curtin, sub-deacon at the 11 o'clock solemn high mass at St. Patrick's church. Christmas greetings were extended by Rev. Fr. Keenan. The church quartet and choir and the sanctuary choir presented an excellent musical program, under the direction, respectively of Michael J. Johnson and Rev. Bro. John. The church quartet, Misses Frances Tighe, soprano; Mrs. James Morris, contralto; John McNabb, tenor, and George Kerwin, bass, were assisted by Daniel S. O'Brien, baritone. A choir of 30 voices was heard to good effect. Mr. Johnson presided at the organ. Rev. Fr. Supple celebrated vespers at 7 o'clock, and the church and sanctuary choirs sang psalms and antiphones.

The first mass was celebrated at 6 o'clock by the pastor, Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien, assisted by Rev. Francis J. Keenan. Christmas carols were rendered by pupils of the Notre Dame academy, under the direction of the Sisters of Notre Dame. Miss Sarah A. Murray presided at the organ.

At the Immaculate Conception church the solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. James J. McCarthy, O.M.I., with Rev. Albert L. McEneaney, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. James B. McCarthy, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. Christmas greetings were extended by the pastor, Very Rev. Lawrence P. Tighe, O.M.I. Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I., celebrated a high mass at 6 o'clock. An excellent musical program, under the direction of William L. Gookin, was carried out at the 11 o'clock mass, and at the solemn vespers service in the evening. Rev. James J. McCarthy, O.M.I., Rev. Albert L. McEneaney, O.M.I., and Rev. James B. McCarthy, O.M.I., as celebrant, deacon and sub-deacon respectively, as at the solemn high mass. The soloists of the day were the church quartet, Miss Florence McManus, soprano; Miss Alice Dacey, contralto; James King, tenor; and William L. Gookin, baritone; assisted by David P. Martin, bass. The organist was Mrs. Hugh Walker.

At the Church of the Sacred Heart the solemn high mass at 11 o'clock was sung by Rev. Francis N. McGann, O.M.I., with Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O.M.I., as deacon, and Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. Rev. John J. Flynn, O.M.I., pastor extended the Christmas greetings. The church choir of 45 voices and the sanctuary choir of 30 voices carried out an extremely beautiful musical program, under the direction of John J. Kelly. At both the solemn high mass and the vespers service in the evening the church quartet, Miss Irene Harkins, soprano; Miss Sadie Codd, alto; John H. Mehta, tenor; and William L. Gookin, bass.

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ingly diverting. And his witty remarks and timely quips in doing out the gifts proved much-proved in the extreme. Many of the gifts were very amusing, even without the distributor's assistance.

An excellent concert program was carried out as follows: Piano selections, Charles P. Minor; solos, Timothy Higgins, John Doyle and George Burrows; monolog, William Leoney; and instrumental trio, George S. H. Clark. Light refreshments and drinks were distributed during the afternoon. Visiting lights from Worcester, Cambridge and Boston were present.

The committee in charge was headed by the lecturer of the concert, and his assistants were: Grand Knight John E. Hart, J. Eugene Mullin, George W. Korte, Henry P. Doran, John H. Golden, Joseph P. Quigley, John P. Golden, Fred Knowlton, David J. Pappas, Charles J. Landers and Patrick J. Ryan.

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N. Y. Actor Cut From Cheekbone to Chin by Unknown Man in Boston

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Gennaro Amato of New York member of an Italian theatrical company which has been playing at the Palace theatre in the West End, was recovering today from the effects of an assault in which he sustained a deep 20 inches laceration on the right side of his face last night. The wound was made with a razor and by a man. A woman inspired the attack, pointing out the victim to his assailant.

Amato was leaving the theatre after the performance last night when, he says, an automobile stopped at the curb nearby. A woman and three men got out. Amato says he knew none of them. The woman, according to his account, pointed him out to her companions and then returned to the automobile. The three men approached him, one drew a razor and, without words slashed him from cheekbone to the chin. The razor was dropped and the men fled while bystanders made no effort to stop them.

K. OF C. CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

Nearly 700 members of Lowell council, K. of C., enjoyed the first formal Christmas tree exercises by the council in the Association hall, Sunday afternoon, and enjoyed it. Eugene Higgins impersonation of Santa Claus, the distribution of a great quantity of presents and an excellent entertainment. District Deputy Lodges and Grand Knight Hart were in charge of the gifts.

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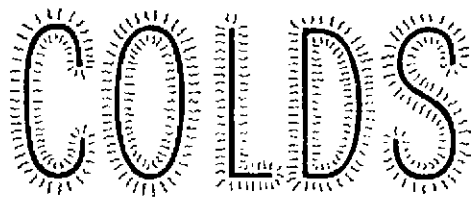
HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 27.—University of Oregon's football eleven defeated the University of Hawaii here yesterday, 47 to 0.

Wife of Alleged Swindler Arrested

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Charles W. French, wife of the alleged co-conspirator of John W. Worthington, in the swindles for which they are under indictment and which are said to total \$60,000,000 was under arrest today in San Diego, Cal., according to word received here.

Dr. Cross Victim of Yellow Fever

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Dr. Howard B. Cross of the Rockefeller Institute, died here this morning a victim of yellow fever. He arrived early this month to open a Rockefeller Institute laboratory to study yellow and malarial fever.



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When Is Girl Old Enough to Smoke?

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—When is a girl old enough to smoke? This question has cropped up at Columbia university and today is puzzling hundreds of cords who want to be told why Barnard college rules say nothing about use of the soothing weed in graduate dormitories and prohibit it in those of the undergraduates.

Lewis Morris Iddings Dies Suddenly

ROME, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Lewis Morris Iddings, of Warren, Ohio, long time secretary of the American embassy in Rome and prominent in war relief work in Italy during the war, died suddenly here last evening. He was a journalist during his early career.

London Papers Attack France's Claims

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—France's claims for a large fleet of submarines, made before the Washington conference, are again attacked by the London newspapers which resumed publication today after the Christmas holidays.

Held as Alleged Secret British Agent

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Lieut. John Bigelow Dodge, nephew of Lionel George Guest, fourth son of Lord Wimborne, was arrested by Bolshevik authorities as an alleged secret British agent as he was about to embark on an Italian steamship at Batum on Dec. 9, according to a Times despatch from Constantinople.

Sec. Zubaran of Mexico Resigns

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Rafael Zubaran, secretary of industry, commerce and labor, has resigned. President Obregon has held in abeyance action on the resignation. Senor Zubaran's action follows a recent attack upon his honesty in the chamber of commerce.

Finding by Coroner Mix

Continued
was the cause of the fire. These persons are held to be negligent but not criminally responsible. Burning of incense on the stage for "atmosphere" was said to have ignited the flammable drapery from which the blaze spread.

Violations of Law

The coroner finds that violations of the law in the theatre included: lack of an asbestos curtain; lack of a water curtain, an automatic sprinkler, casks of water on the stage and hose connections, and also lack of fireproof scenery and woodwork.

Chief of Police Philip T. Smith and members of his department are criticized for having failed to see that the theatre was legally licensed and for permitting the prologue to be given.

Coroner Mix says that had Building Inspector Austin done his duty in applying the building code of either 1911 or 1920 when alterations were being made at the Rialto theatre in June, "I am quite certain that this particular fire could and would not have occurred, for there would not have been the conditions present that made it possible. I, therefore, find Joseph E. Austin criminally responsible for said death resulting from the negligent and omission of duty afore-said."

Manager Directly Responsible

Coroner Mix finds that it was the legal duty of Alfred S. Black, president of the Connecticut Theatre corporation, to see that all the state and city laws were complied with and everything possible done to make the theatre safe for the public and in failing to fulfill this duty he made himself criminally responsible.

Lawrence B. Carroll, manager of

the theatre, is found directly responsible for the conditions which brought about the fire and his presentation of the prologue.

Percy B. Maxon, general manager of the Connecticut Theatre corporation; John E. Kelly and James Carter, employees, and Moses A. Coan, contractor, who made alterations in the building, are said to be worthy of the "just criticism of their fellow men."

Finding Embraces 18,000 Words

The coroner says that at least one police captain and one police sergeant who had not paid admissions, were in the theatre and saw the prologue being given in violation of the Sunday laws and of the law regarding standing on the first floor and in the gallery. The coroner points out that these officers took no action.

The duties of the fire marshal in regard to fire protection in theatres and the inspection of theatres, he coroner

says, "are discretionary" and this office could only be held for willful neglect after notice.

As to the state police, the coroner finds that there was no inspection of the Rialto by this body after December 14, 1920. The fault was due to this system while allowed too few men for the work, the report states.

Coroner Mix's finding, which was filed in court today, embraced about 18,000 words, a digest from about a quarter of a million words of evidence.

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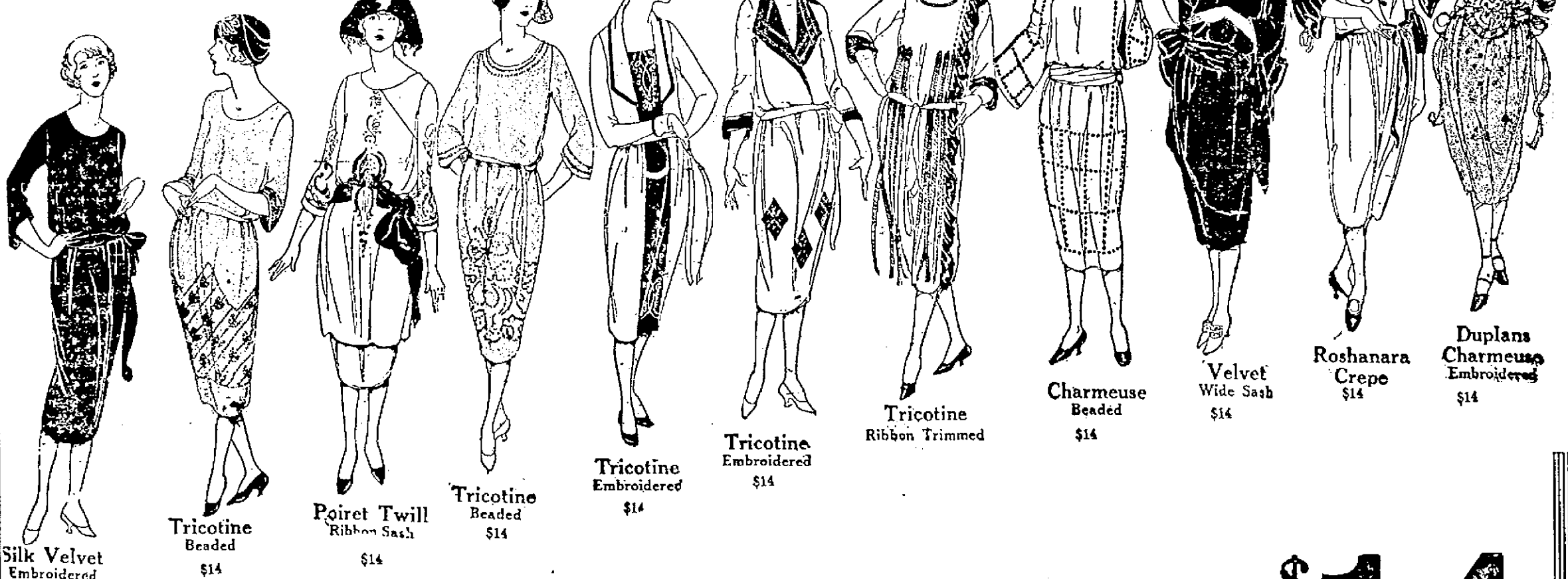
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MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

The Christmas tree exercises in front of city hall Saturday afternoon and evening attracted thousands of men, women and children, and the two programs arranged by the committees in charge, were carried out without a hitch. The afternoon program at 4.30 o'clock, was attended by several hundred children, as well as grown-ups, there being carol singing with hymnals, also music by Aiken's band from the city hall steps. The falling snow failed to dampen the ardor of the singers, and only increased the beauty of the scene. The tree, tall and symmetrical, and shining with decorations, including lights, and white lights, presented a glowing picture.

Mayor Perry D. Thompson spoke to the children, greeting them with words of Christmas cheer and wishing them all a happy New Year. Frederick O. Hunt, supervisor of music in the schools, directed the singing.

The evening tree exercises at 5.30, were carried out without a hitch, although the snow was falling fast when the singers, shoppers and people from far and near gathered in the big square. The tree was white with snowflakes when the opening chorus was sung, and the lights glistened and sparkled brightly, making a picture of great beauty. Albert Edmund Brown led the chorus singing.

CATHOLIC YOUNG
MEN'S LYCEUM

The members of the Catholic Young Men's Club, to the number of 150, thoroughly enjoyed their annual Christmas tree exercises on Sunday afternoon. Not only was the tree attractively decorated but was bountifully laden with presents as well, when Santa Claus started on his tour of the exercises became decidedly entertaining.

William Connelly acted as Santa Claus, and presented a large number of presents of every description to those present. The presents were awarded to those between the comic variety and those expressing genuine goodwill and friendship among the members. The members decided after deep consideration that Joe Hession had received the flashiest tie, James Walsh, a former secretary of the organization, had the best looking tie, and the one with the best residing in Brooklyn, N. Y. was presented with a traveling bag by his former associates. Rev. Francis J. Keenan, the spiritual director, received a sofa pillow, embroidered with the lycium emblem.

An excellent entertainment was given during the afternoon, with Fred Flynn presiding at the piano. The program was as follows: Tenor solo, John Brophy; solo, "Rose of Kildare," Edward Hines; recitation, Edward McCulough; trombone solo, Victor Hernandez; vocal solo, Frank J. O'Garra; Santa Claus, John Murphy; solo, Timothy Holan.

President James Bruhn announced during the afternoon that there will be a ladies' night on Monday evening, January 2. He wished the members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Marvin Chitway was chairman of the committee in charge.

BIG SHIPMENTS OF RAW COTTON

Heavy shipments of raw cotton are coming into New England every week, and many of the mills are turning out textile mills, according to The Commercial Bulletin of Dec. 24. Good business ahead is the outlook for local mills for the coming year. This city stands third among the five principal cotton centres of New England as regards bales of cotton lately received. The receipts for November were the largest of any one month, for several years past. Receipts from the principal consuming centers, Lowell, New Bedford, Lawrence, Fall River, Manchester, show that these cities have received during the month no less than 155,516 bales, besides that which was received at other smaller centers. The same five cities show an aggregate total for August, September and October this year of 204,277 bales.

It is said that the heavy receipts are partly due to buying on the part of the mills during September and early October, but the spot cotton demand from New England mills has been strong ever since the beginning of the cotton season owing to the extremely small stocks of cotton they were carrying in reserve. There were hardly any stocks of unsold cotton in public storage in New England that could be offered to the mills and the Southern shippers at last realizing the situation are hastening to ship in stocks which can be offered as spots.

New Bedford received more than any other city during the month, with Fall River next and Lowell third in the list. The heavy receipts for November, together with the somewhat stronger movement during October have now brought the total amount received in the two months close to the beginning of the current cotton season up to a figure slightly exceeding previous season's figures covering the same period.

**SALVATION ARMY
DISTRIBUTED BASKETS**

Nearly 1500 hearts were made glad over the Christmas holidays by the Salvation Army. All day Friday and Saturday the workers were busy distributing the baskets containing the good things to all who needed by the generous people of the city.

The usual Sunday services were held in the quarters at Appleton street, while a Christmas tree was set up yesterday to the soldiers and sailors.

Tomorrow afternoon will be the big time for the poor children of the city when the army gives its annual Christmas tree. Many good things are in store for the youngsters, and it is expected hundreds of poor children will be made happy by the sight of the tree which they missed on Christmas day.

IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

"Town and Country" With "Sherry Glass" is the title of the comedy presented last night at St. Paul's church by the Sunday School. The program was presented by the following: The choir, led by Frank Parrell. The drama was acted by a group of children, who were to be attended and dressed by a group of the Louise Brews, who also sang, while Charlotte Brown was selected. The program was presented by the following: The choir, led by Frank Parrell. The drama was acted by a group of children, who were to be attended and dressed by a group of the Louise Brews, who also sang, while Charlotte Brown was selected. The program was presented by the following: The choir, led by Frank Parrell. The drama was acted by a group of children, who were to be attended and dressed by a group of the Louise Brews, who also sang, while Charlotte Brown was selected.

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MONEY isn't any too easy; everybody wants to make it go as far as possible. We've decided to go the limit to help you. We have started this sale with the **MOST DRASTIC** price reductions on clothes ever known in Lowell.

We never had a bigger or better stock of high quality Clothing—here are some examples of the extraordinary values. Read what we are giving you.

Overcoats

\$25	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$19.50
\$30	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$23.50
\$35	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$28.50
\$40	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$33.50
\$45	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$38.50
\$50	OVERCOATS,	marked	.....	\$42.50

\$55, \$60, \$65, \$75 OVERCOATS

The finest garments made. Reduced to **\$50**

There's nothing here but the best Clothing that can be made; Suits of woollens, made by the best mills, beautifully finished and unfinished worsteds. All patterns; all styles; some with rich silk linings and finest tailoring.

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The Overcoats are Ulsters, Great Coats, Kimona Sleeve Coats, fleecy woolen fabrics with plaid backs, rug backs, most of them silk trimmed.

Boys' Suits and Overcoats

Boys' \$8.50 Overcoats	\$5.45
Boys' \$10 Overcoats	\$6.95
Boys' \$12 and \$15 Overcoats	\$10.95
Boys' \$18 and \$20 Overcoats	\$15.95
Boys' \$25 Overcoats	\$21.50
Boys' \$30 Overcoats	\$23.50

Big Lot of
BOYS' MACKINAWS
\$6.95

BELL BLOUSES....35¢
(While they last)

This sale includes every Overcoat and Suit including the black and blue suits and our guarantee of satisfaction goes with every sale.

Talbot Clothing Company

AMERICAN HOUSE BLOCK

CENTRAL ST., AT WARREN ST.

More Hydrants Much Needed

Continued

housing colonies being erected in various sections of the city, there is not a corresponding increase in the fighting facilities. The plans for these various home building centres put houses close together and map out new streets, avenues and private ways, but regardless of this fact, the chief claims the present system of hydrants is deemed sufficient in all cases when, according to his judgment, it would impose a hardship upon firemen to suppress a serious fire in such sections. He cites Pawtucketville as one district absolutely in need of more fire hydrants.

He explained the development of Pawtucketville has been rapid, that many new homes have been built and it is commonly known the population is particularly dense there. "I have suggested more than once to the city government authorities that Pawtucketville should have more fire hydrants but my suggestions have fallen by the wayside in the pressure of other business," said the chief. He added that it is a matter that should be given serious consideration by the new city council.

Only One Hydrant

The chief claimed attention had been directed by the fire department to the fact that at the recent hospital fire there was only one hydrant available for use and that this was about 500 feet away from the scene of the fire. He called attention to the fact that one hydrant generally provided for only two lines of hose.

During his talk he referred to the usefulness and inconvenience of flush hydrants, many of which are still installed in this city. These are the old style hydrants, the tops of which come flush with the sidewalks. In order to reach them the firemen must remove the covers first and then unscrew the hydrant caps. Chief Saunders says that there is danger in a severe and sudden storm these flush hydrants may be so well covered as not to be found by the firemen.

In conclusion he said these hydrants should be removed and the new style installed with a marking of some

kind so they could easily be found by the fire-fighters in all kinds of weather.

AT THE CHELMSFORD STREET HOSPITAL

The annual Christmas program Sunday at the Chelmsford Street hospital included an excellent turkey dinner and a concert, the day's events proving a genuine treat under the supervision of Supt. Martin Conley. The exercises opened at 9 o'clock with mass in the morning celebrated by Rev. Bernard H. Fletcher, O.M.I. of the Sacred Heart church, which was followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

There were solos by Mrs. Charles Young, James King, James E. Donnelly and Francis Burns. At 2:30 o'clock, 500 pounds of fresh turkey was placed on the tables, with all the desirable things that go with an old-fashioned turkey dinner. During the afternoon there was a victrola concert in every ward, the records being donated by the Hor Marché company.

The hospital acknowledges numerous gifts, including 100 pounds of candy from the Nison candy shops. There were foodstuffs and candies also from the St. Vincent de Paul society of St. Patrick's church, commission for the blind, women's society of the Sacred Heart and First Baptist church.

CHRISTMAS TREE

AT KEITH'S THEATRE

"Christmas at Keith's" doesn't always mean the vaudeville attractions. The wind-up of the last performance on Christmas night is always a signal for the lowering of the big curtain, the departure of the audience, and then "curtain" again, with all the stage lights gleaming and the show folks parading in for their annual Christmas festivities—all outsiders barred.

In every Keith theatre in the country there were Christmas trees, lanterns and decorations of frolic and merriment. At the Keith theatre, the annual Christmas tree was just as nifty a Santa Claus last evening, as any man on the Keith payroll. The banquet began shortly after 10:30 o'clock, and it was early this morning before the lights were turned out and auto calls sent in.

The big feast was set in the center of the stage, an immense Christmas tree standing just in back decorated with electric lights, Christmas lilies, wreaths and other greenery. It was a jolly gathering, with Thomas Kelly, assistant manager of the theatre, presiding as toastmaster. When Manager Pickett arose to extend greetings, the applause sounded like one of those back-stage thunder-making machines used when a manager returns from his mountain fastness and brings the storm with him.

Manager Pickett, just as modest as he is when the Rotary club men call on him every Tuesday to say something, was in fine fettle, nevertheless, and after the applause managed to extend Christmas greetings and best wishes. He told those present how the late H. P. Keith conceived the idea of giving the players Christmas feasts while they were away from home and friends. In the old days, the stage artists had to spend their time mostly in hotels or lodging houses at this time of the year, wherever they happened to be playing. Today, every Keith manager plays Santa Claus and the celebrations are unique as happy ones in every way.

Children were the piece de resistance last night, but all the other things that go to make up a holiday feast were on the tables, too. There was a crackerjack entertainment afterward, with Al Moore's jazz band and numbers by vaudeville artists playing here this week. Dan McConfrey also sang several selections and there was informal dancing. Just before the close, Assistant Manager Kelly distributed gifts from the big tree.



CROKER REJOICES OVER ENDING FAMILY WAR

By N.Y.A. Service

DUBLIN, Ireland, Dec. 27.—"The best political move I've ever made."

This is the statement Richard Croker is reported to have made on his sickbed here, referring to the settlement of his 30 years' trouble with his sons.

Croker was for 12 years chief of Tammany Hall and the strongest political boss New York city ever had.

It was his second marriage in 1914 to a Cherokee Indian that brought to public notice his long family warfare.

Croker's sons, following an unsuccessful attempt in 1920 to have their father declared incompetent to manage his own affairs, started a few courts for the recovery of various sums alleged to have been advanced by them for certain railroad shares.

In July, 1921, these suits came up in

New York public schools and later became a scandal.

In 1865 he became interested in politics and was elected alderman in 1865, 1870 and 1883. From 1873 to 1879 he was a New York common and from 1889 to 1890 he was city chamberlain.

During his administration of this office, Croker became the pronounced opponent of the Tweed ring. After the most bitter political fight in America, Croker was elected Tammany chieftain over Tweed's opposition.

On his resignation 17 years later, Croker returned to Ireland, still retaining his American citizenship, and was granted the freedom of Dublin in 1907.

Croker's first wife was Miss Elizabeth Frazer, whom he married in 1873. She died in 1914, after which he was wed to Miss Beulah Benton Edmonson, who was of Cherokee extraction. She had studied music in London and had become a teacher of music in New York, where Croker met her.

GIRL MISSING SINCE SUNDAY NIGHT

BALTIMORE, Dec. 27.—No news had been received this morning of the whereabouts of Miss Lila Dale Russell, 25 years old, of Baltimore, N. C., who disappeared Sunday night from the south branch of the Young Women's Christian Association here.

Miss Russell, a student of designing, vanished about 9 o'clock Sunday night.

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So Secure Your Seats Early. There's a Madcap Every Day

MARGUERITE FIELDS OWN COMPANY

THE STORM

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FRESH PORK TO ROAST	12¢ Lb.
THICK RIB CORNED BEEF	12¢ Lb.
FRESH GROUND HAMBURG	10¢ Lb.
STEAKS	
Heavy Top Round, lb.	33¢
Best Vein, lb.	30¢
Fancy Rump, lb.	40¢
Heavy Sirloin, lb.	39¢
Chicago Rump, lb.	17¢
OAKDALE CREAM BUTTER	44¢ Lb.
HEAVY JUICY GRAPEFRUIT, 3 for 25¢	
SWEET TENDER PRUNES, 3 lbs. for 25¢	
SNIDER'S CATSUP	25¢ Bot.
POTATOES—Best Maine	31¢ Pk.
FANCY BRISKET C. BEEF	14¢ Lb.
SMOKED SHOULDERS	14¢ Lb.
FRESH PORK SHOULDERS	12¢ Lb.
Any size, all lean	
CANNED FOODS	
Peas	11¢
Corn	11¢
Tomatoes	11¢
Salmon	11¢
Every-Day Milk	11¢ can
Large Size LIBBY'S PEACHES 29¢ Can	
Large Size LIBBY'S PINEAPPLE 29¢ Can	
PURE LARD, in pkgs.	12½¢ Lb.
BEST CEYLON TEA	23¢ Lb.
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TO THE NORTH POLE

FUTURE STORAGE. Preliminary.
 Mr. James Barrett, 18 1/2

AT EVERY SHOVELFUL A WHOLE BARROW-LOAD OF GOLD-
EN GLITTER CAME FORTH FROM ITS HIDING PLACE.

The two magic shovels that the
Twins found in the Enchanted Cup-
board were wonderful things. They
were like the spoon that the witch
gave the poor maiden to dip out the
sea, for at every shovelful a whole
barrow-load of golden glitter came out
from its hiding place in the earth and
jumped into a great sack that Pim
Pim had ready.

Soon the sack was filled and Pim
Pim called a thousand of his Brown-
ies to tie it up and carry it away to
his storehouse until it was needed.

When they had dug up enough golden
glitter for all the stars and angles
on the Christmas trees, the Twins
started on the silver shewn. It too,
jumped from the earth at the very
touch of the enchanted shovels and
into another great sack.

Soon the mine of silver shewn was
about empty, so the children went on
to another where the ruby-red was
to be found, while the Brownies busily
tied up the sack of silver-shewn and
bore it off.

And so it went on until Pim Pim's
storehouse was completely full of all
the glittery colors that Santa Claus
and the toy-maker could possibly use
for the Christmas toys.

"And now," said Pim Pim, "I'll call
the Fairy Queen to send us some mes-
sengers, and we'll get this stuff to
Santa Claus at once. Time is so very
very short."

But scarcely had he spoken when
the Magical Mushroom appeared, also
the Nimble Toes and Silver Wing, the
Fairy Queen's messengers. "Well,"
helped the Magical Mushroom, "pick up
one of the sacks in his arms."

Away through the air flew this
strange procession making straight for
the North, carrying to Mr. Santa
his precious burden.

Santa and the toy-maker had just
finished the last doll and drum. "Not
for the tree-tops," sang out Santa.
"Why, bless my soul, here comes Pim
Pim and the Twins now."

(To Be Continued)

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Heating contractor.

<h3>Legal Notices</h3> <p>Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex ss. Probate Court.</p> <p>To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all persons interested in the estate of Matrice B. Bogdonoff, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, interested:</p> <p>Whereas, a petition has been pre-</p>	<h3>Legal Notices</h3> <p>DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the partnership legally existing between us, H. A. Thard & Boudreau, of the firm of H. A. Thard & Boudreau, carrying on business as a grocery and provision store at 127 North Street, in the city of Lowell, Massachusetts, was on the twenty-</p>
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CAUTION
 using clean wall paper

presented said Card to said probate Court for its consideration and said probate Court has considered the same and has found that said Card was duly executed by said deceased in the County of Middlesex, with-
 in and to the effect of a will.
 You are hereby cited to appear at a probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, on the fourth day of January, A.D., 1922, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why said Card should not be granted.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 Middlesex Probate Court.
 To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and

ALL PAPER

And the petitioner is hereby notified to appear at the said public sale, giving this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks to the following to wit: the first publication to be published on the 10th day of December, 1901, the second publication to be on the 17th day of December, 1901, and the third publication to be on the 24th day of December, 1901, at least, before said Court.

Wm. C. Gibson, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this sixteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Mildred, as Probate Court.
The heirs and assigns of kin-
creditors, and all other persons inter-
ested in the estate of Mary Ann White-
head, or of her estate, in said County,
ceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented
to said Court, and an order of said
administration on the estate of said

Probate Court, to be held at said Court
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nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show
cause why said petition should be
granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed
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 Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, Clerk Judge of said Court, this tenth day of June, 1891.
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 F. M. ESTY, Register.

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and said deceased is held to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the tenth day of December, next published in Lowell, this publication to be one week before said day in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be called.

And said James T. Cowley is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy of the same to said deceased, or to his estate fourteen days at least before said day.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court, this tenth day of December, in the thirteenth hundred and twenty-one year of our said Lord, King, Great Britain.

E. M. EASTY, Justice.

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for said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three consecutive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be on any day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the matter seven days at least before said Court. Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of December in the year

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CHRISTMAS ON THE FIRING LINE

FIGHTING WHITE PLAGUE.

Young Greek Well Known in
Lowell Doing Battle
Against the Turks

Tuberculosis Council Makes
Favorable Report—More
Money Collected This Year

Cousin of Private Kalfas
Receives Interesting Letter
From the Battle Zone

Christmas on the firing line in Turkey, but without the turkey or many Christmas presents, was the holiday for fighting Private Athanasios Kalfas, dauntless Greek warrior well known in Lowell and vicinity, who is now soldiering with the famous Second Division, Light Infantry, in the great campaign to drive the Turks back and free the land for the coming rule of the Greek dominion forces. The Greeks are confident, but they admit that they have a big job ahead of them.

"We have driven the Turks back and captured 100,000 square miles of territory. Now we stop for the holidays, and then a long wait until springtime when we go again and sweep them back to the end of the line," is the way Private Kalfas writes it. He also has considerable interesting news in his letter for Lowell friends. John Pappagalis, Moody street barber, received a Christmas greeting from Private Kalfas, and being a cousin of the soldier, of course John got quite a letter. It is as follows:

At the Front,
Asia Minor,
Smyrna, Nov. 10, 1921.
Dear Cousin John:
Just a few lines. I hope you are in good health. I am doing well. I have been fighting on all the battlefronts, starting from Prousa and going as far as Angora, about 250 miles into Turkey. We have captured about 100,000 square miles of territory. Now we shall rest until the spring. We have skinning every so often, fighting and then stopping.
I met your brother, Theodore, and he told me that he was in the big fight too. We hope to meet again when we start for the front lines in the spring. The next time, if the Turks bother us, we shall go over to Angora in earnest.
Cousin John, our hearts are strong and we never lose our heads. I shall write again to you from the front, as we move shortly.

Your cousin,
ATHANASIOS KALFAS.
The Moody street man sent his cousin and also his brother five dollars apiece for Christmas presents. Also other holiday mementoes. He said the money was forwarded by channels that would permit it reaching the soldier without any trouble.
Theodore Pappagalis, brother of the Lowell barber, is 24 years old and has been fighting in Asia Minor for 25 years of age and has been in the Greek army five years.
With the letter of Christmas greeting came a photograph of Kalfas, with his Greek fighting cap, and everything with tassels and everything.

FUNERALS
The funeral of Mrs. Marie C. Cullen took place Sunday night from her home, 33 Lily avenue. The bearers were: Arzaphel L. Vallee, Jean Marquis, Felix L. Leland, Louis Merod and Edmund Travassary. The body was forwarded to Montreal where services will be held and burial will take place. Arrangements in charge of the Undertaker Joseph Albert.

JONES—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Jones took place Saturday from the home of her son, George Jones, 41 Clark street. The body was taken to St. Patrick's church by Rev. Joseph Curran. The choir sang the Gregorian chant, the soloists, singing "I Surrender, Dear Lord," were: Michael Johnson was the organist. The bearers were: William Christie, John Griffin, Peter Noonan, Richard Allen, Bryan Barrett and Martin Bosons. There were numerous flowers. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Curran read the committal service. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons.

SCHURMAN—The funeral services of H. Almon Schurman were held at his home, 32 West Adams street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Curran officiated. The flowers were numerous. Burial was in the family lot in Woodlawn cemetery in Lynn where Rev. Fr. Curran read the committal service. The arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

BRADLEY—The funeral services of Mrs. Ellen G. Bradley were held from her home in Wright street, North Chelmsford, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Curran officiated. The bearers were: Fred Vinal, Stewart May, John McIntosh and John L. Brown. Burial was in the family lot in the Eden cemetery where Rev. Fr. Curran read the committal service. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

BOOK—The funeral of Mrs. James A. Book was held at her home, 10 Adams street, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Curran officiated. The bearers were: Fred Vinal, Stewart May, John McIntosh and John L. Brown. Burial was in the family lot in the Eden cemetery where Rev. Fr. Curran read the committal service. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

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DEATHS
THOMAS E. DWYER DEAD
Man Prominent in Politics
Passed Away Yesterday at
St. John's Hospital

Thomas E. Dwyer of Wakefield, 55 years old, prominent for many years in democratic politics in Massachusetts, died early yesterday morning at St. John's hospital from an illness with which he was overcome while driving through Lowell with Senator David I. Walsh last September. Senator Walsh was at Mr. Dwyer's bedside only a few hours before death came, and had planned to visit the hospital again today. The two men were close friends for many years.

Mr. Dwyer was president of the Local Union from Pine company of Wakefield, a member of the Metropolitan water commission and for a time served as chairman of the democratic state committee. He leaves one brother, Jack Dwyer, of Medford. The body has been taken to Wakefield.

BOND—Charles H. Bond died yesterday at his home, 333 Walker street, aged 52 years, 2 months and 15 days. Deceased was ill for almost one year. He leaves his wife, Alice Bond; one daughter, Mrs. Joseph H. Heathcock, of Lowell; two brothers, Edwin of Plainfield, N.J., and George of Lowell; one sister, Mrs. Louis Marshall, of Lowell; and one son, Orrin of Essex, Vt. He was a member of the 68 Arlington street, Sons and Daughters of Liberty.

LORANGER—George Loranger died Sunday at his home, 53 Baker street, aged 52 years, 2 months and 15 days. Deceased was ill for almost one year. He leaves his wife, Henrietta Loranger; one daughter, Mrs. Romeo Hebert; one brother, Alexander Loranger, of Canada; one sister, Mrs. Louis Marshall, of Lowell; and one son, Orrin of Essex, Vt. He was a member of the 68 Arlington street, Sons and Daughters of Liberty.

PEDNEAULT—Mrs. Corinne (Gosselin) Pedneault, wife of George Pedneault, died Sunday at her home, 30 Jacques street, aged 52 years, 2 months and 15 days. Deceased was ill for almost one year. He leaves his wife, Henrietta Loranger; one daughter, Mrs. Romeo Hebert; one brother, Alexander Loranger, of Canada; one sister, Mrs. Louis Marshall, of Lowell; and one son, Orrin of Essex, Vt. He was a member of the 68 Arlington street, Sons and Daughters of Liberty.

COTE—Roger, aged 1 year and 1 months, infant son of Urselle and Marie Anne (Bastarache) Cote, died Sunday at his home, 30 Jacques street. The funeral took place this morning from his home, 30 Jacques street. The funeral cortege left the home at 3:30 o'clock and went to St. Louis church where, at 9 o'clock, a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. George Chaput of Danvers, a nephew of deceased, who was assisted by Rev. E. J. Vincent as deacon and Rev. Fr. N. Gauthier as sub-deacon. The choir, augmented by the organ, rendered the Gregorian chant, under the direction of Oliver J. David, the solos being sustained by Mr. David, Adolphe Bourchard, Adolphe Bourchard, Jules Mercier, and John L. Brown. The bearers were: Joseph Harvey, Antoine Peppin, Philippe Chaput, Arthur Appert, Jean L. Chaput and Eugene Gosselin. The third funeral of St. Francis was rendered by Mrs. Auguste Martel and Mrs. Charles Asselin. The delegates from St. Anne's sodality were Mrs. Arthur Appert, Mrs. Arthur Appert, Mrs. Philippe Chaput and Mrs. Jean L. Chaput. There were numerous floral and spiritual offerings. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery where the committal prayer was read by Rev. Fr. Curran. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

DOWNEY—The funeral services of Genevieve Grace Downey were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her home, 121 St. Patrick's church at 2 o'clock. A funeral mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Curran. The bearers were: Joseph Harvey, Antoine Peppin, Philippe Chaput, Arthur Appert, Jean L. Chaput and Eugene Gosselin. The third funeral of St. Francis was rendered by Mrs. Auguste Martel and Mrs. Charles Asselin. The delegates from St. Anne's sodality were Mrs. Arthur Appert, Mrs. Arthur Appert, Mrs. Philippe Chaput and Mrs. Jean L. Chaput. There were numerous floral and spiritual offerings. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery where the committal prayer was read by Rev. Fr. Curran. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

LOOMFIXERS, ATTENTION!
All members are requested to attend this summoned meeting tonight, at 7:30 to take action on matters of importance and to elect officers for the ensuing year.
Per order,
JOSEPH E. JENNIFY, Pres.
JOHN HANLEY, Sec.

FUNERAL NOTICES
ALDRICH—Funeral services for Mrs. Pamela A. Aldrich will be held Thursday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. N. Brissett, 5 Grosvenor street, at 2 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

NAVY
The Navy from box 112 at 2:30 o'clock this morning was for a night blaze in a wood box at 1:50 o'clock. At 4:25 o'clock Sunday afternoon, a telephone alarm was sent in for a chimney fire at 20 West Sixth street.

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Naval Experts of Sub-Committee Confer
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—(By the Associated Press)—Naval experts of the special sub-committee suggested by Arthur J. Balfour to determine a standard practice for the Washington conference in calculating naval tonnage gave preliminary consideration to their subject today with the possibility that different rules of displacement measurement for surface craft and submarines might be proposed.

Bishop Grace, 81, Dies at Sacramento
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 27.—Thomas Grace, for more than 25 years bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Sacramento, died today after an illness of several months. He was 81 years old.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES WORKSHOP

Sermon by Dr. Fisher on
the Meaning of the Birth
of Christ

Santa Claus Leaves Presents
at Home Where Eyes
Can't See

Shop in Which the Blind
Work Was Cheery Place
This Morning

Santa Claus stopped just long enough at the Lowell Workshop for the Blind to leave ample good cheer in the shape of numerous substantial gifts of money, clothing and personal messages that made the holiday one long to be remembered.
The holiday was observed more generally this year at the workshop than in any other. It was a cheery place this morning when the inmates talked over the holiday doings and recounted their gifts, laying them away for future use. The Moody street shop is, of course, not a place of gaiety as a rule, for the ten men now employed there are not only sightless, but two or three of them are very deaf as well. But the good cheer prevailed today, was sincere, and more than one man drawing smiles through half-made chair seat frames was whistling a lively tune as he carefully fingered the rough material that goes to make the completed chairs.

The officers of the workshop, too, were cheery and warm, with numerous visitors calling all the morning to leave presents, apologizing for their tardiness and blaming no one but themselves. One man called and dropped a check for the Burke desk. He did not leave before and went out with a cheery "Happy New Year." Another person—a lady this time—was writing a check on Burke's desk when The Sun man came in.

Henry G. Burke, manager of the shop, was in a good-natured mood. He had every reason to be, for he had just returned from a trip to the old home town in Clinton, where he spent Christmas day with his mother, Mrs. Thomas F. Burke, and his sister, Mrs. Plasket, wife of Veterinary Surgeon W. S. Plasket of Clinton.

Mr. Burke took his wife with him, leaving Lowell Saturday and returning last night. He reports his mother as in splendid health. The reunion was a most happy one, and there was a Christmas dinner just like the olden days when Clinton was the great drawing card for all the Burkes.

The Christmas home visit, however, had a tinge of sadness, for two weeks ago Mr. Burke had to return to the family bier to attend his father's funeral. Thomas F. Burke was for 77 years an assistant superintendent of the streets in Clinton, a man well to do, greatly respected and well known in political and town affairs. He was a personal friend for many years of Senator David I. Walsh, and retired from his berth in the Clinton highway department only a week or two ago. Death came very suddenly, Mr. Burke being ill one week. Burial was in Clinton.

This noon, Manager Burke went to Boston to attend a conference of managers of workshops for the blind, who are coming from all over the state to discuss the work of the workshop and to formulate plans for securing additional kinds of work for the blind. Experiments are now being conducted on new push brooms, which it is believed will be easy to make. At the present time the local workshop turns out only chairs, seats and a few other articles, but many more kinds of work are being made in the Cambridge home for the blind.

Friends of the Moody street shop will be sorry to learn that Ernest St. Martin, for the past eight years employed at cane-seat making and general chair repairing, is suffering from a paralytic shock. He was in the shop in the early evening of Dec. 8, when stricken. He is now at St. John's hospital and this condition is still very serious. He lives with his sister-in-law, Mrs. St. Martin, a widow, at 165 Tremont street.

The workshop has been unusually busy for this season of the year, the demand for holiday goods and repair work on chairs and similar articles being very heavy. There is much work ahead to take care of when the time comes. Many little attachments of a mechanical kind to help his blind brothers in performing their work, now has something new in the shape of a laundry gloss. He can tell colors with his fingers—almost—and every bit of work he does during the preparation is done by himself without assistance from anyone with sight. Burke plans to call the new laundry preparation "Longevity," and says it can be boiled with starch and the preparation applied in the usual way, a fine lustrous finish coming when the job is done. It will also prevent starch from freezing.

LOWELL OVERSEERS ASSOCIATION
A set of by-laws has been drawn up for the Lowell Overseers' association and will be presented to the body at tonight's meeting which is scheduled for 7 o'clock in the C.Y.M.C. A churchmen will be part of tonight's program and the committee requests reservations be made early today at the C.Y.M.C.

BLANK CHARITY BALL
Arthur T. Cull has been chosen director of the Blank charity ball which is scheduled for Feb. 1. The election took place at a meeting of the committee on Saturday afternoon. Plans were nearly completed for the New Year's entertainment. A concert will be held next Sunday night, starting at 10 o'clock. It will be in the form of a watch party. Dancing will start at 12 o'clock.

BASKETBALL GAME
Two rival basketball teams, the Independents and the Junior High, will clash at the C.Y.M.C. gymnasium, Suffolk street at 8:15 o'clock tonight. The visiting knights are to be royally entertained.

Local Women's Relief corps members have been invited to attend the reception to be given Mrs. Agnes H. Parker, national president at Hotel Vendome, Tuesday evening, Mrs. Mary L. Gilman, the only past national president in the state, is one of the committee of arrangements. The usher, Suffolk street at 8:15 o'clock tonight will be Sons of Veterans. A large and a red hot game is expected.

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